

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA – MARCH 18, 2014

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

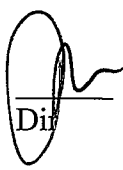
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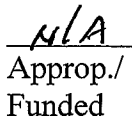
COMMENT: At its meeting of October 1, 2013, the Council amended the process by which proclamations are approved. The new process requires that all proclamations must be sponsored by one Council Member, after which the request is then placed on the Council's agenda for consideration and approval by a majority of the Council.

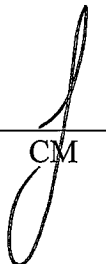
Library staff has requested that the Council consider approval of a proclamation to recognize April 13-19, 2014, as National Volunteer Week. Mayor Hamilton is sponsoring this proclamation request. If approved, the proclamation will be presented at the City Council meeting on April 1, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider approval of the request to proclaim April 13-19, 2014, as National Volunteer Week.

ATTACHMENTS: 1. Draft Proclamation

  
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## **National Volunteer Week 2014**

WHEREAS, the entire Porterville community can inspire, equip and mobilize people to take action that changes the world; and

WHEREAS, volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through hundreds of community service organizations like the Porterville City Library's Read to Succeed Adult Literacy program; and

WHEREAS, individuals and communities are at the center of social change, discovering their power to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, during this week all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers will be recognized for their commitment to service; and

WHEREAS, the giving of oneself in the service of another empowers both the giver and the recipient; and

WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and

WHEREAS, our country's volunteer force of over 63 million is a great treasure; and

WHEREAS, the City of Porterville volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive community; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the Porterville City Library to join in this celebration in giving special recognition to the dedicated volunteers who contribute immensely to the city library.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cameron Hamilton, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim April 13-19, 2014, as,

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in the City of Porterville, California, and urge my fellow citizens to volunteer in their respective communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.