

# Proclamation

## CELEBRATING THE 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE EMERYVILLE 4-H CLUB

**WHEREAS**, the 4-H Program in Emeryville is celebrating its 1 year anniversary and Emeryville 4-H is open to youth between the ages of 5 and 19; and

**WHEREAS**, Escuela Bilingue Internacional served as the original inspiration for, enabled the formation of, and generously continues to provide critical resources to support the flourishing of the Emeryville 4H Club; and

**WHEREAS**, 4-H is ranked fourth in total awareness among agencies serving youth; and

**WHEREAS**, 4-H is the largest youth development organization in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the four H's on the clover represent ways youth can grow and develop in 4-H. The first H stands for Head, for critical thinking and problem solving. The second H stands for Heart, for self-discipline, integrity, and communication. The third H for Hands and serving others, and the fourth H is for Health and for choosing healthy lifestyles; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the 4-H experience, 4-H members are encouraged to learn about and contribute to the betterment of their communities, and 4-H also utilizes a variety of community resources to enhance the educational experience of members; and

**WHEREAS**, 4-H addresses issues facing youth wherever they live -- in inner cities, suburbs and rural communities and helps break barriers by focusing on learning-by-doing; and

**WHEREAS**, 4-H builds youths self-esteem, leadership and citizenship skills, and focuses on critical issues such as protecting the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, 4-H has programs on food and nutrition, science and technology, natural resources, substance abuse prevention, growing plants, caring for farm animals, career education, community pride, citizenship and leadership;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Dianne Martinez, Mayor of the City of Emeryville, California, do hereby proclaim the City of Emeryville Celebrates the 1 Year Anniversary of the Emeryville 4-H Club.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Emeryville, to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 2016.

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Dianne Martinez, Mayor