

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2019 AS

DEAF AWARENESS MONTH

IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE

WHEREAS, the US Census estimates that there are more than 32.3 million deaf people living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Institutes of Health, approximately 2 to 3 out of every 1,000 children in the United States are born with a detectable level of hearing loss in one or both ears; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous causes of deafness and hearing loss, including genetics, diseases, viruses, infections, allergies, tumors, head trauma, and aging; and

WHEREAS, organizations for the deaf, such as Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc. and the National Association for the Deaf, are valuable resources which provide referrals and resources to the deaf and hearing impaired; and

WHEREAS, the City of Commerce Special Needs Commission promotes greater awareness and recommend programs and services to assist those with special needs in our community:

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22-28, 2019 AS DEAF AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE AND URGES EVERYONE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT DEAFNESS, INCLUDING HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH OUR HEARING IMPAIRED COMMUNITY.

Dated this 17th day of September 2019

ATTEST:	John Soria Mayor
Lena Shumway City Clerk	