



# City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

October 18, 2011  
New Business Consent

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-124 COMMEMORATING WORLD POLIO DAY ON OCTOBER 24 AND RECOGNIZING ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO ERADICATING THIS DISEASE**

Submitted by David C. Biggs  
City Manager

Approved by David C. Biggs  
City Manager

## **I. SUMMARY**

This item is on the agenda at the request of Mayor Dear.

Tonight the City Council is asked to consider Resolution No. 11-124 urging support for World Polio Day, October 24, 2011.

## **II. RECOMMENDATION**

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-124, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, COMMEMORATING WORLD POLIO DAY ON OCTOBER 24, AND RECOGNIZING ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO ERADICATING THIS DISEASE".
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to Rotary Club of Carson-Gardena-Dominguez President Cara Rice, P.O. Box 4661, Carson, CA 90749-4661.

## **III. ALTERNATIVES**

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

## **IV. BACKGROUND**

Resolution No. 11-124 is an opportunity for the City Council to demonstrate support for Rotary's "End Polio Now" campaign and promote Rotary in our community by planning an event around World Polio Day, October 24.

Since 1985, eradicating polio has been Rotary's top priority. Largely through the efforts of Rotarians and the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, the campaign is close to its goal. Polio cases worldwide decreased by more than 40 percent during the first eight months of 2011, compared with the same period in 2010. In India, one of the four countries where the virus remains endemic (the others are Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan) reported only one case during that time.

As of September, Rotarians have raised \$190 million toward Rotary's \$200 Million Challenge to match \$355 million in grants from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Though the polio eradication campaign has made great progress, challenges remain. Seeing the job through to the finish will require redoubled effort and commitment. World Polio Day puts the campaign in the spotlight, providing an excellent opportunity for the Rotary Club of Carson-Gardena-Dominguez to promote the End Polio Now message in our community.

**V. FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

**VI. EXHIBITS**

1. Resolution No. 11-124. (pgs. 3-4)

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City Clerk	City Treasurer
Administrative Services	Development Services
Economic Development	Public Services

**Action taken by City Council**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Action \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. 11-124

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON,  
CALIFORNIA, COMMEMORATING WORLD POLIO DAY ON  
OCTOBER 24, AND RECOGNIZING ROTARY INTERNATIONAL'S  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO ERADICATING THIS DISEASE

WHEREAS, Rotary International, founded on February 23, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois USA, is the world's first and one of the largest non-profit service organizations; and

WHEREAS, there are over 1.2 million Rotary club members comprised of professional and business leaders in over 33,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographic areas; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary motto "Service Above Self" inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and promote good will and peace in the world; and

WHEREAS, Rotary in 1985 launched PolioPlus and spearheaded the Global Polio Eradication Initiative with the World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF to immunize the children of the world against polio; and

WHEREAS, polio cases have dropped by 99 percent since 1988 and the world stands on the threshold of eradicating the disease; and

WHEREAS, to date, Rotary has contributed more than US\$1 billion and countless volunteer hours to the protection of more than two billion children in 122 countries; and

WHEREAS, Rotary is currently working to raise an additional \$200 million toward a \$355 million challenge grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; and

WHEREAS, these efforts are providing much needed operational support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment and educational materials for health workers and parents; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Rotary has played a major role in decisions by donor governments to contribute \$8 billion to the effort; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous Rotary club members in several clubs throughout California sponsoring service projects to address such critical issues as poverty, health, hunger, illiteracy, and the environment in their local communities, and abroad.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Carson join with others in the fight for a polio-free world.

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EXHIBIT NO. 31



**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Jim Dear

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City Clerk Helen S. Kawagoe

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney

