



City of Santa Barbara
Mayor & Council Office

Memorandum

DATE: July 1, 2014

TO: Jim Armstrong, City Administrator

FROM: Mayor Helene Schneider
Councilmember Cathy Murillo *CM*

SUBJECT: Request from Mayor Schneider and Councilmember Cathy Murillo
Regarding 2020 A Year Without War City Proclamation

Pursuant to Council Resolution 05-073 regarding the Conduct of City Council Meetings, we request that an item be placed on the Santa Barbara City Council Agenda regarding a proposal from the Santa Barbara-based 2020 A Year Without War organization.

- Summary of information to be presented:

The Santa Barbara City College-based 2020 A Year Without War organization will give a brief presentation regarding their efforts.

- Statement of Specific Action:

That the Santa Barbara City Council adopt a proclamation that recognizes the 2020 A Year without War program (see attached draft proclamation language).

- Statement of the Reasons Why it is Appropriate and Within the Jurisdiction of the Council to Consider this Subject Matter and to Take the Requested Action:

This organization is based within the City of Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara City College and is working on a global level on this initiative; thus the host city should consider this subject matter from its citizens. The City of Santa Barbara also has a very active and involved Sister Cities International program that promotes world peace as its core mission. The cities of Lompoc and Carpinteria have recently adopted similar proclamations.

cc: Mayor and Council
City Attorney

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**Proclamation
2020 A Year Without War**

Whereas, citizens of Santa Barbara, California have helped create and are helping to develop the **2020 A Year Without War** program as a global, social movement, presently with thousands of members and visitors from over 90 countries, to make the year 2020 a global year without war; and

Whereas, Santa Barbara, California is home to Santa Barbara City College which is the birthplace of the **2020 A Year Without War** program; and

Whereas, Santa Barbara, California has an active sister cities program including the cities of Dingle (Ireland), Kotor (Montenegro), Patras (Greece), Puerto Vallarta (Mexico), San Juan Metro Manila (Philippines), Toba City (Japan), and Weihai (People's Republic of China); and

Whereas, Santa Barbara, California is a City of Peace and has chapters of many peace oriented global and national organizations chartered in the city; and

Whereas, communities like Santa Barbara seek to live in peace with all of its neighbors; and

Whereas, the **2020 a Year Without War** program, is focusing a global discussion on the benefits, both capital and human, to saving the estimated \$2 trillion + spent annually by the world' nations on war and its related activities;

Now, Therefore, I, Helene Schneider, Mayor of Santa Barbara, California, USA recognizes the **2020 A Year Without War** program and supports its effort to gain global acceptance of the year 2020 as a year without war and we urge our sister cities to approve similar proclamations.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Santa Barbara, California to be affixed this <Nth> day of <month>, 2014.



Proclamation 2020 A Year Without War

WHEREAS, citizens of the City of Lompoc have created and developed a global, social movement, presently with thousands of members and visitors from over 90 countries, to make the year 2020 a global year without war; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc has been closely associated with and a supporter of the United States military since the opening of Camp Cooke in 1941, just north of the City of Lompoc, through the base's present status in 2014 as Vandenberg Air Force Base; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc has sent its citizens to serve in the U.S. military since the Spanish American war and including all subsequent wars; and

WHEREAS, the support of a strong military has been for the purpose of securing a lasting peace; and

WHEREAS, 2020 A Year Without War, is focusing a global discussion on the benefits, both capital and human, to saving the estimated \$1.3 trillion + spent annually by the world's nations on war and its related activities; and

WHEREAS, communities like Lompoc seek to live in peace with all of its neighbors as demonstrated through its global Sister City program with its five sister cities; and

WHEREAS, on August 27, 1928, under the leadership of U.S. Secretary of State Frank Kellogg, serving in the Hoover Administration, brought nations of the world together to sign the Pact of Paris, formally outlawing war, with no nation subsequently rescinding that law; and

WHEREAS, 2020 A Year Without War, has mounted a petition campaign to the United Nations, to have the General Assembly of the United Nations designate August 27 as an internationally recognized day of celebration of humanity's step toward the elimination of war; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lompoc has been committed to providing a high quality of life for its citizens, the City of Lompoc encourages members of California's Congressional delegation; members of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, the California State Assembly, the California State Senate – who represent residents of the City of Lompoc, along with the California League of Cities and the National League of Cities to support 2020 A Year Without War.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John H. Linn, Mayor of the City of Lompoc, California, recognizes the 2020 A Year Without War Program and supports its United Nations' petition to globally recognize August 27th as Pact of Paris Day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Lompoc to be affixed this 4th day of March, 2014.

John H. Linn, Mayor
City of Lompoc

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CARPINTERIA CITY COUNCIL RECOGNIZING 2020 A YEAR WITHOUT WAR

WHEREAS, the City of Carpinteria supports providing a safe and nurturing environment that embraces diversity and strengthens our community as citizens of the globe; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carpinteria has earned global respect for its safe and inviting community, including "The World's Safest Beach"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carpinteria has a long and noble history of supporting organizations that foster peace and harmony through dialogue and conversation in settling disputes; and

WHEREAS, Carpinteria citizens have helped create and are helping to develop 2020 A Year Without War program as a global, social movement, presently with thousands of members and visitors from over 90 countries, to make the year 2020 a global year without war; and

WHEREAS, the Carpinteria Community has given sons, daughters, fathers and mothers to defend freedom around the globe as honorable war veterans; and

WHEREAS, 2020 A Year Without War, is focusing a global discussion on the benefits, both capital and human, to saving the estimated \$2.0 trillion plus spent annually by the world's nations on war and its related activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Bradley Stein, Mayor, on behalf of the Carpinteria City Council, do hereby recognize the 2020 A Year Without War Program and support its United Nations' petition to globally recognize August 27th as Pact of Paris Day.



First Congregational
Church
Of Santa Barbara
United Church of Christ

**Proclamation In Support of
2020 A Year Without War**

Whereas, members of the First Congregational Church of Santa Barbara, United Church of Christ (FCCSBUCC) are interested in helping to develop the **2020 A Year Without War** program as a global, social movement, presently with thousands of members and visitors from over 70 countries, to make the year 2020 a global year without war; and

Whereas, FCCSBUCC is part of the Southern California Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ; and

Whereas, FCCSBUC is a Just Peace Church, defining Just Peace as the interrelation of friendship, justice, and common security from violence; and

Whereas, our Outreach Ministry supports members and friends of this congregation as they empower themselves for faithful life and commit themselves to justice and to serving others; and

Whereas, 2020 a Year Without War, is urging the establishment of Aug. 27th as an internationally recognized holiday celebrating the Pact of Paris - the day war was outlawed - and is focusing a global discussion on the benefits, both capital and human, to saving the estimated \$2 trillion + spent annually by the world's nations on war and its related activities;

Now, Therefore, I, Mary E. Howe-Grant, Moderator, FCCSBUC recognizes the **2020 A Year Without War** program and supports its effort to gain global acceptance of the year 2020 as a year without war, support the effort to make Aug. 27th an internationally recognized holiday celebrating the Pact of Paris - the day war was outlawed - and urge other members of the Southern California Nevada Conference of the United Church of Christ to approve similar proclamations.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the FCCSBUCC to be affixed this <Nth> day of <month>, <year>.