



City of Santa Barbara

LETTER OF RECOGNITION

Peace Corps Week
February 25 – March 3, 2008

WHEREAS, the Peace Corps has become an enduring symbol of our nation's commitment to encourage progress, create opportunity, and expand development at the grass-roots level in the developing world; and

WHEREAS, more than 190,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in 139 countries since 1961; and

WHEREAS, over the past 47 years, 25,832 men and women from the state of California have responded to our nation's call to serve by joining the Peace Corps; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps Volunteers have made significant and lasting contributions around the world in agriculture, business development, information technology, education, health and HIV/AIDS, and the environment, and have improved the lives of individuals and communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, Peace Corps Volunteers, enriched by their experiences overseas, have brought their communities throughout the United States a deeper understanding of other cultures and traditions, thereby bringing a domestic dividend to our nation.

NOW THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby offer gratitude and appreciation to the Peace Corps for serving the community for decades and proclaim February 25th through March 3rd Peace Corps Week in the City of Santa Barbara.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 26th day of February, 2008.

Marty Blum
MARTY BLUM, MAYOR



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