

# **IN RECOGNITION OF PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH APRIL 2015**

WHEREAS: RESIDING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, MANY OF OUR NEIGHBORS HAVE SERVED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, AND IN DOING SO HONORED OUR COMMUNITY WITH EXEMPLARY DEDICATION; AND

WHEREAS: IN 1984, THE PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA SET ASIDE A WEEK TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO PARALYZED VETERANS AND ALL INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; AND

WHEREAS: THE THEME FOR THIS YEAR'S OBSERVANCE OF PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH IS "AN ERA ENDS: OUR SERVICE ENDURES"; AND

WHEREAS: IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE RECOGNIZE THE SACRIFICES MADE BY OUR COMMUNITY'S VETERANS WHO ARE PARALYZED; AND

WHEREAS: THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD HONORS PARALYZED VETERANS BECAUSE THEY PERSONIFY THE HIGHEST IDEALS OF SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, SACRIFICE OF SELF, AND PERSEVERANCE IN OVERCOMING ADVERSITY; AND

WHEREAS: PARALYZED VETERANS HELP THEIR FELLOW VETERANS AT VA FACILITIES, MEET WITH SCHOOL CHILDREN AND BOYS AND GIRLS SCOUT TROOPS TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES, AND AID OTHER PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES BY THEIR ADVOCACY FOR CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES, INCLUDING ACHIEVING ACCESSIBILITY IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS; AND

WHEREAS: THEIR STORIES OF HARDSHIP AND TRIUMPH PROVIDES LIFE-AFFIRMING LESSONS FOR ALL OF US; NOW

THEREFORE: PETER BOBER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2014, AS:

## **PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH**

IN HOLLYWOOD, AND CALL UPON ALL RESIDENTS TO OBSERVE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH AND REFLECT UPON THE SACRIFICES ENDURED BY OUR COMMUNITY'S VETERANS WHO ARE PARALYZED.

SIGNED THIS 1ST DAY OF  
APRIL, 2015, AT  
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

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MAYOR PETER BOBER  
VICE MAYOR KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN  
COMMISSIONER PATRICIA ASSEFF  
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ  
COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI  
COMMISSIONER RICHARD S. BLATTNER  
COMMISSIONER LINDA SHERWOOD