

**IN RECOGNITION OF PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA
AWARENESS MONTH
APRIL 2017**

- 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:** 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:** THERE ARE MANY LOCAL COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE SERVING OUR YOUTH, THAT SEEK INVOLVEMENT IN WORTHY PROJECTS AND PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH MEETS AND SURPASSES THAT STANDARD; AND
- WHEREAS:** THEIR STORIES OF HARDSHIP AND TRIUMPH PROVIDES LIFE-AFFIRMING LESSONS FOR ALL OF US; NOW
- THEREFORE:** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2017, 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 19th DAY OF
APRIL, 2017, AT
HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY
VICE MAYOR TRACI L. CALLARI
COMMISSIONER DEBRA CASE
COMMISSIONER PETER D. HERNANDEZ
COMMISSIONER RICHARD S. BLATTNER
COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN
COMMISSIONER LINDA SHERWOOD