

## Proclamation

## DMV/DONATE LIFE MONTH

## **APRIL 2023**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Westminster wish to join the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and OneLegacy in celebrating Donate Life Month by sharing information and encouraging the community to "sign up and save lives!;" and

WHEREAS, organ, eye, tissue, marrow, and blood donations are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need and anyone can donate regardless of age or medical condition; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 individuals nationwide and more than 20,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting; and

WHEREAS, the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic, Latino, and African American communities; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; and

WHEREAS, donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 others and organ donors saved more than 40,000 lives last year, the most ever; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry online at any time by visiting www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org; and

WHEREAS, California residents interested in saving a life through living kidney donation may visit www.LivingDonationCalifornia.org.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Chi Charlie Nguyen, Mayor of the City of Westminster, on behalf of Vice Mayor NamQuan Nguyen, and Council Members Amy Phan West, Carlos Manzo, and Kimberly Ho do hereby proclaim April 2023 as DMV/DONATE LIFE MONTH in the City of Westminster encouraging all community members to check "YES!" online, or when applying for, or renewing driver's license or I.D. card at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and spreading the word to help save lives.

Signed and Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2023 by the City Council.

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NamQuan Nguyen, Vice Mayor, District 4

Amy Phan West, Council Member, District 1

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Carlos Manzo, Council Member, District 2 Kimberly Ho, Council Member, District 3