

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL, CALIFORNIA PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2015 AS "CALFRESH AWARENESS MONTH"

WHEREAS, one of the highest priorities of Los Angeles County is to reduce food insecurity and improve health in the nation's largest county by increasing access and participation in the CalFresh Program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program formerly known as Food Stamps; and

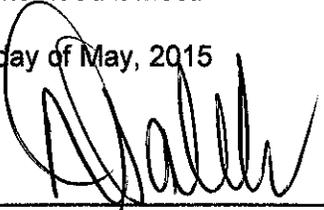
WHEREAS, the CalFresh Program was created to safeguard the health and well-being of low-income households by increasing their food purchasing power and raising their levels of nutrition. Studies suggest that household hunger negatively impacts the intellectual, physical, and emotional development of children and puts them at greater risks for obesity, diabetes and other diseases; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to educate residents about CalFresh and health eating, and remove the barriers that discourage eligible individuals and families from applying for assistance, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) is collaborating with various faith-based and community-based partners to implement the 5th Annual CalFresh Awareness Month Campaign; and

WHEREAS, As part of the campaign, DPSS also works to publicize more convenient methods to apply for services through the use of an online application and a 24-hour DPSS Customer Service Center. DPSS has also enlisted the Department of Public Health, local cities, supermarket chains, farmers' markets, food banks, and school districts, in sharing valuable information about nutrition education and the long-term benefits of exercise.

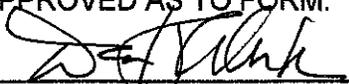
WE THEREFORE MOVE that the City of Bell join Los Angeles County in proclaiming May 2015, as "CalFresh Awareness Month" and urge all city residents to learn about and share information on the benefits of the CalFresh Program with those who need it most.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 13th day of May, 2015



Ali Saleh, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Dave Aleshire, City Attorney

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk of the City of Bell, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Bell City Council at its regular meeting held on the 13th day of May 2015, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gallardo, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Romero and Mayor Saleh

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None


Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk