

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF POMONA POET LAUREATE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City Council and our citizens value the great contributions that the cultural and literary arts make to Pomona's community fabric; and,

WHEREAS, in response to broad community interest, representatives of both the Board of Library Trustees and Cultural Arts Commissions have expressed support for establishment of a City of Pomona Poet Laureate program; and,

WHEREAS, a poet laureate is a poet officially appointed by a government or conferring institution, typically expected to compose poems for special events and occasions; and,

WHEREAS, the Pomona Board of Library Trustees, working in conjunction with the Pomona Public Library Foundation and in consultation with representatives from the Cultural Arts Commission and the greater arts community have begun the informal process of establishing a Poet Laureate; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council understands the relationship of a Poet Laureate Program to both cultural and literary arts – two similar but separate disciplines which are housed under auspices of the Cultural Arts Commission and the Board of Library Trustees, respectfully; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to register their official support of developing a City of Pomona Poet Laureate Program, with the administrative functions being assigned under the commission structure of the Board of Library Trustees, while encouraging collaboration and inclusiveness with representatives from the Cultural Arts Commission and broader arts communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pomona as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby establishes the City of Pomona Poet Laureate Program and tasks the Board of Library Trustees with administrative functions of the program.

SECTION 2. The City Council calls upon the Board of Trustees to implement the Poet Laureate Program in consult and collaboration with representatives from the Cultural Arts Commission, including allowing for discussion and/or Cultural Arts Commissioner input beyond the standard time allotment provided for public comment on other matters under consideration at Trustees Meetings.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and it shall become effective immediately upon its approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF AUGUST 2019.

ATTEST:

CITY OF POMONA:

Rosalia A. Butler, MMC, City Clerk

Tim Sandoval, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Christi Hogin, Interim City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF POMONA)

I, ROSALIA A. BUTLER, MMC, CITY CLERK of the City of Pomona do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Pomona held on the 5th day of August, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS:

Rosalia A. Butler, MMC, City Clerk