

City of Grover Beach, California

PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVER BEACH DECLARING "NATIONAL TRAVEL & TOURISM WEEK" MAY 7-13, 2017

WHEREAS, travel has a positive effect on California and the nation's economic prosperity and image abroad, it also impacts business productivity and the well-being of individual travelers; and

WHEREAS, travel to and within the United States provides significant economic benefits for the nation, generating more than \$2.3 trillion in economic output in 2016, with \$990.3 billion spent directly by travelers; and

WHEREAS, travel is among the largest private-sector employers in the United States, supporting 15.3 million jobs in 2016, including 8.6 million directly in the travel industry and 6.7 million in other industries; and

WHEREAS, travelers' spending directly generated tax revenues of \$157.8 billion for federal, state, and local governments, funds used to support essential services and programs; and

WHEREAS, international travel to the United States is the nation's No. 1 services export. In 2016, travel generated \$246 billion in exports, creating an \$87 billion trade surplus for the United States; and

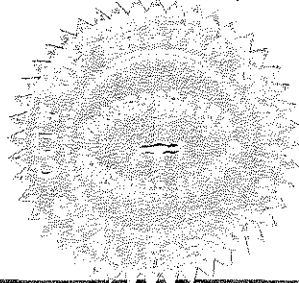
WHEREAS, meetings, events, and incentive travel are core business functions that help companies strengthen business performance, educate employees and customers, and reward business accomplishments—which in turn boosts the U.S. economy. In 2016, domestic and international business travelers spent \$307.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, leisure travel, which accounts for more than three-quarters of all trips taken in the United States, spurs countless benefits to travelers' health and wellness, creativity, cultural awareness, education, happiness, productivity, and relationships; and

WHEREAS, travel is a pillar of economic growth, creating jobs at a faster rate than other sectors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Grover Beach does hereby proclaim the week of May 7-13, 2017 as *NATIONAL TRAVEL & TOURISM WEEK* in the City of Grover Beach.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Grover Beach to be affixed this 1st day of May, 2017.



Attest: JI _____ 1
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