



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

SEPTEMBER 21

LAGUNA BEACH, CALIFORNIA USA
(SEPTEMBER 2006)

PROCLAMATION

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In conformity with and in furtherance of its charter and creation in 1945, the United Nations General Assembly declared an International Day of Peace in 1981. On September 7, 2001, it announced that the International Day of Peace would thereafter be celebrated each September 21. The stunning events of four days later dramatically underscored the worldwide need for such a day of recognition. While not so well known as Earth Day, the International Day of Peace is a vital step toward the survival of this endangered planet.

The City of Laguna Beach, California takes pride in joining with other communities, states and countries in acknowledging the spirit embodied in the International Day of Peace. The City strives for the unity and goodwill that people hope and dream will evolve therefrom. Without the willingness to recognize that progress can only flow from peaceful coexistence, mankind will continue its descent into fractious disharmony and the benefits of this glorious world will be squandered. Our children and future generations are powerless to prevent such catastrophe. We are not. The International Day of Peace represents the olive branch among cultures demanded by those future generations. The City of Laguna Beach is dedicated to the peace, harmony and progress its citizens deserve and spiritually joins all others of like mind in their pursuit.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Steve Dicterow, Mayor of Laguna Beach, hereby proclaim September 21, 2006 and the 21st day of September every year thereafter as the International Day of Peace in the City of Laguna Beach, California.

Steve Dicterow
Mayor of Laguna Beach, California

