

RESOLUTION NO. 18-031

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL'S "TAKE THE BITES OUT OF PUBLIC SPACES!" TRAINING EVENT SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 10, 2018

WHEREAS, The Carson City Council is very concerned about the health and safety of Carson residents; and

WHEREAS, The County of Los Angeles Public Health Dept., the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District and the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District are hosting a training event for City staff and key school representatives titled, "Take the Bite Out of Public Spaces!" on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 8:00 a.m. at Liberty Community Plaza in Whittier, California; and

WHEREAS, Mosquito-borne viruses are viruses most commonly spread by infected mosquitoes that become infected when they feed on infected birds, and these infected mosquitoes can then spread the virus to humans and other animals. Two common diseases we have seen in the news are Zika and West Nile; and

WHEREAS, Mosquitos can transmit disease without being affected themselves. Prevention focuses on reducing the mosquito population, controlling mosquito larvae and protecting individuals from mosquito bites; and

WHEREAS, Anyone living in an area where mosquito-borne illnesses are present in mosquitoes can get infected; and

WHEREAS, prevention of these viruses can be managed through a community education and awareness initiative including:

- Use insect repellents when you go outdoors.
- Wear long sleeves and pants from dusk through dawn when many mosquitoes are most active.
- Install or repair screens on windows and doors. If you have it, use your air conditioning.
- Empty standing water from containers such as flowerpots, gutters, buckets, pool covers, pet water dishes, discarded tires, and birdbaths; and

WHEREAS, Carson is a member of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District, that has the knowledge and expertise to properly educate the public on the best practices to protect themselves, their family members, and the community from mosquito-borne viruses; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Carson, California strongly supports the "Take the Bite Out of Public Spaces!" educational session scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 8:00 a.m. at Liberty Community Plaza in Whittier, California:

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 20th day of March, 2018.

Mayor Albert Robles

ATTEST:

City Clerk Donesia L. Gause Aldana, MMC

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney