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West Sacramento Declares Itself a Compassionate City

West Sacramento. The West Sacramento City Council unanimously adopted a Resolution committing West Sacramento to be a Compassionate City at its Wednesday, February 17 meeting. City Council Member Quirina Orozco proposed the measure for the City Council meeting agenda at the request of city residents and organizations engaged in service to others.

City Council Member Orozco noted that residents of West Sacramento are known for working together collectively for the overall betterment of the community which in turn, has helped address some of the most difficult problems.

"I was pleased and honored to be asked to bring this resolution forward. As we continue our journey to emerge from these trying times, it is important to celebrate and encourage compassion throughout our city," Council Member Orozco said.

Speaking on behalf of the sponsors of the resolution was Tynya Beverly, the West Sacramento Ambassador for Compassionate Capital Region. Beverly, who is Pastor, Center for Spiritual Awareness, thanked the Council for its action saying,

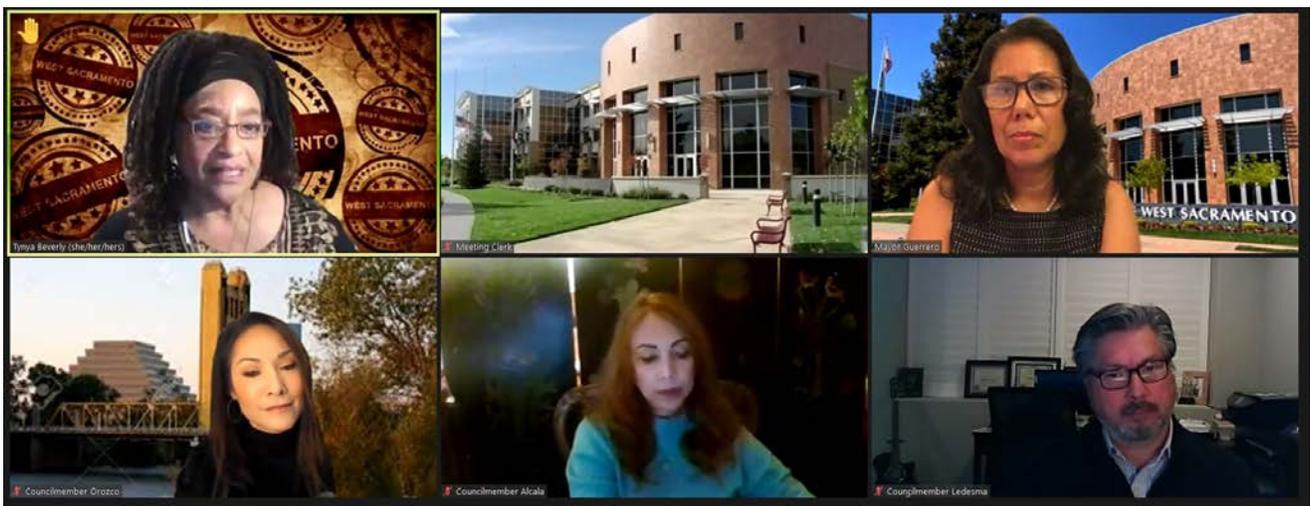
"We believe our city already is compassionate and wanted to recognize all of the individuals and organizations whose caring work makes it so." "With this resolution, we also hope to encourage others to engage in acts of kindness and to partner or volunteer in activities that promote wellbeing, protect our environment, and assist those in need,"
Tynya Beverly, Compassionate West Sacramento team lead.

About the Charter for Compassion

The Charter for Compassion is an international movement bringing compassion to the forefront of civic and community activities. In joining the movement, communities pronounce, among other things, that the needs and well-being of the entire community are a priority, and that all people are to be treated with compassion, kindness, and respect. Communities acknowledge their commitment to being a compassionate community by affirming the Charter for Compassion International's (CCI), Charter for Compassion, and joining a global network of cities, towns, townships, shires, hamlets, villages, neighborhoods, islands, states, provinces, counties, republics, and countries in making compassion central to co-existence and community life.

Organizations supporting the West Sacramento resolution include Compassionate and Resilient West Sacramento, New Roots Farm, Kuchenu Community Garden, BBCAN, the Center for Spiritual Awareness, Three Sisters Farm, and Compassionate Capital Region.

The CCI affiliate, Compassionate Capital Region, is a local resource for building caring communities at the grassroots level in collaboration with city and county government in the seven counties of Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, Placer, El Dorado, Yuba, and Nevada. The cities of Sacramento and Elk Grove have both adopted Compassionate City resolutions.



(2/17/2021 City Council Meeting Screen shot of the Compassionate West Sacramento resolution. From top left: Tynya Beverly, Mayor Guerrero. Second row from left: Council Member Orozco, Council Member Alcalá, Council Member Ledesma)