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**Venice Community Resiliency Committee**

**Meeting Date: 1/14/2024**

**Meeting Time: 6:15 PM**

**Meeting Location: Venice Public Library , Community Room, 501 S Venice Blvd Venice,CA 90291**

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**6:15 PM Call to Order**

Keith Harrison (Chair)		Erica Moore	
Nicholas Hippisely-Coxe (Vice Chair)		Heather Dolin	
Anneke Campbell		Delaney Hart	
Rebecca Hughes		Brian Averill, Yolanda Gonzales ( ex officio)	

**Roll Call**

**Review, Comment and Adopt Minutes from previous Meeting**

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**PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agenda items related to Venice Community Resiliency Committee only**

**Chair Report: VNC Board,DONE,  
 EMD, NCEPA Liason,CD 11, Special  
 Projects , PSC .**

**New Business :**

**a: New Members Introductions**

**b: CERT Motion**

**MOTION:**

**Whereas:** The Venice Community is vulnerable to multiple natural, technological , national security and other human caused disasters/emergencies.

**Whereas:** The Community Emergency Response Team program provides critical training to empower residents and stakeholders to effectively respond to and recover from disasters/emergencies.

**Whereas:** Funding for this critical, life safety, program are in danger of being severely reduced, thereby drastically restricting the number of classes that can be offered throughout the city.

**Whereas:** The Venice Neighborhood actively supports all efforts to make our community and the City of Los Angeles disaster resilient.

**Therefore Be It Resolved That:**

The Venice Neighborhood Council strongly supports the successful LAFD Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. The CERT program trains community volunteers in best practices and how to respond in the event of earthquakes and other disasters. CERT trained volunteers are prepared to help themselves, their neighbors and their communities when an emergency happens, thus allowing the LAFD to concentrate their efforts in highest-need areas. CERT volunteers also consistently support the LAFD’s responses to their routine activities. This is especially critical during emergencies. Some CERT trained volunteers can and do continue their training in hopes of joining the ranks of the Call Out teams that are especially important during emergencies. During 2024 the CERT unit has conducted the following trainings: 2,357 CERT students; 2,700 Hands-Only CPR students and 961 Fire Extinguisher students. A total of 940 hours of service has been performed by the CERT Call Out volunteers. Considering that we never know when a city-wide emergency might occur and considering that when it does the investment in the CERT program will contribute immeasurably to the resilience and recovery of the city, the Venice Neighborhood Councils urges the city leaders to continue funding the LAFD CERT program.

**Therefore Be It Further Resolved:**

That the VNC President forward this resolution to Los Angeles City Fire Chief, City Councilwoman, Traci Park and Mayor Bass.

**Old Business: (carried over from prior meetings)**

**Emergency Preparedness**

**Program:**

**a: CERT**

**b: Farmers Market**

**c: Other**

**Comments on items not on the agenda**

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