



P CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA **Proclamation**

WHEREAS, in 2018, Rebekah Robeck, a student of Costa Mesa Middle High School, was inspired by simple acts of kindness while living in El Salvador and started Let's Be Kind to create positive impacts in her community; and

WHEREAS, Let's Be Kind promotes a mission to give students the freedom to change their actions to themselves and to one another, giving them the freedom to grow as people in a safe environment; and

WHEREAS, Let's Be Kind demonstrates leadership by creating opportunities to provide purposeful acts of kindness to cultivate a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, kindness calls upon our students, teachers, leaders and community residents to treat each other better to increase self-esteem, empathy, compassion, and support for one another; and

WHEREAS, this month of April, 2022, marks the fifth annual "Let's be Kind" month; and

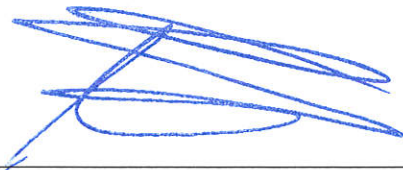
WHEREAS, this year's festivities includes the support and participation of over 20 local organizations and businesses, as well as 20 of our local schools in Costa Mesa and neighboring cities; and

WHEREAS, wearing a Let's Be Kind t-shirt is a pledge to maintain a community of unique, talented, generous people ready to give acts of kindness; and

WHEREAS, Let's Be Kind's vision to bring together our peers embodies the City of Costa Mesa's mission of providing a safe, inclusive, and vibrant community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, John B. Stephens, Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa, hereby proclaim April 2022, as "**Let's Be Kind Month**". I urge all Costa Mesa residents to recognize and celebrate this month with kind gestures towards others. Kindness is contagious, and we can all participate in our own ways.

DATED this 19th day of April, 2022.



John B. Stephens, Mayor of Costa Mesa