A Proclamation of the City Council of Morro Bay
Declaring Morro Bay a Nonviolent City

WHEREAS peace is not merely the absence of war and violence, but a condition where a society has achieved a balance of prosperity, security, justice, and hope, and peace is achieved through following the concepts and methodology of nonviolence and

WHEREAS for peace and nonviolence to prevail the citizens of Morro Bay will endeavor to foster a culture of peace through education and sustainable economic and social development as a necessity for peace to prevail, and

WHEREAS equality between women and men, racial justice, intergenerational justice, economic justice, and a clean environment are the ultimate desire of the community, the citizens of Morro Bay desire to promote and respect all human rights, advance understanding, tolerance, and solidarity, support participatory communication and the free flow of information and knowledge, and

WHEREAS the concerned citizens and community leaders are committed to establishing peace and nonviolence in the region to promote understanding, economic opportunity, and improve the quality of life of the people of our region, and this vision builds on the expertise of each person and involves all segments of our city in planning actions and making a difference, and

WHEREAS the citizens and political leaders of Morro Bay will work together to create and implement initiatives that not only foster peace and nonviolence but create a positive and lasting change in our community becoming a model for other communities, and

WHEREAS with these statements the city of Morro Bay rejects war, poverty, injustice, and environmental degradation, and these statements are in conjunction with Peace e Bene/Campaign Nonviolence/ Nonviolent Cities project, to this we are committed.

RESOLVED that the Mayor and Morro Bay City Council proclaim the City of Morro Bay to be a Nonviolent City in perpetuity, and be it further

RESOLVED that the Mayor and Morro Bay City Council supports the United Nations Resolution A/RES/52/13 designating September 21 to be International Peace Day and so designates September 21 of each year to be the City of Morro Bay Day of Peace and the month of September designated as Peace & Nonviolence Month in perpetuity, and be it further

RESOLVED that the City Council of Morro Bay, community leaders and concerned citizens develop policies and procedure that promote establishing peace and nonviolence in our region in perpetuity

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the city of Morro Bay to be affixed this 11th day of September, 2018

Mayor Jamie Irons
City of Morro Bay