

# Proclamation

**Whereas,** Keep America Beautiful, a nonprofit dedicated to improve and beautify community environments across the nation, has declared November 15, 2017 as America Recycles Day in observance of the importance of recycling; and

**Whereas,** America Recycles Day is a day to raise awareness, educate, motivate, and encourage involvement in recycling for all 365 days of the year; and

**Whereas,** the Climate Action Plan that the City of Alameda adopted in 2008 and the Zero Waste Implementation Plan adopted in 2010 includes Solid Waste Stream Diversion and Recycling has reduced the amount of landfill the City of Alameda produces; and

**Whereas,** the State of California currently has a recycling rate of 44%, Alameda County has a recycling rate of 48% and the City of Alameda has a 79% recycling rate. The national recycling rate is 34%; and

**Whereas,** the City and Alameda County Industries are promoting "America Recycles Day" in November through a special collection effort entitled *Share Some Love*, in support of Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter. The City of Alameda, Alameda County Industries, and local business partners are collecting gently used items for reuse to benefit the animals who are lovingly taken care of by Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter; and

**Whereas,** the City of Alameda has long demonstrated its dedication to environmental stewardship, sustainability, and the protection of the environment and its natural resources through a diverse array of environmental programs and events.

**Now, therefore be it resolved,** that I, Trish Herrera Spencer, Mayor of the City of Alameda, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2017 as

## America Recycles Day

in the City of Alameda and encourage all residents to join me in recognizing the contributions that our community has made in the past, and continues, to strive to keep our city green.



Trish Herrera Spencer  
Mayor