

Date: September 2, 2022

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager



From: Brent Dennis, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine



For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **California Coastal Cleanup Day**

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On Saturday, September 17, 2022 from 9am – 12pm, Long Beach will celebrate California Coastal Cleanup Day. This statewide event draws tens of thousands of volunteers with the common goal of keeping our waterways and coastline clean and healthy.

El Dorado Regional Park and Nature Center will partner with the California Coastal Commission to coordinate the cleanup at six sites in Long Beach. This year's sites include Junipero Beach, Belmont Pier, 54<sup>th</sup> and Claremont, The Peninsula, Mother's Beach, and the Seal Beach Yacht Club. Joining in the effort as site captains are the Aquarium of the Pacific, Seal Beach Yacht Club, Surfrider Long Beach Chapter, and Algalita.

Last year, over 500 volunteers in Long Beach removed over 1,000 pounds of debris in only three hours. This year we strive to increase the number of participants and continue to provide educational materials to the community. Our goal is to inform the public about marine debris issues and inspire local environmental stewardship.

We invite you to join us for this great collaborative event. As a community we can make a positive impact on the health of our local coastline.

If you can attend or need further information about the event, please contact the Long Beach Coastal Cleanup Day Coordinator, Matthew Billinghurst at (562) 570-1745.

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