

GARDEN GROVE CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 9217-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
IN SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 1453 AND IN FAVOR OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA VETERANS CEMETERY

WHEREAS, California is home to more veterans than any other state;

WHEREAS, the majority of California's veterans live in Southern California;

WHEREAS, the nearest currently open federal veterans cemetery to Orange County is the National Cemetery in Riverside, California;

WHEREAS, although the National Cemetery in Riverside is a beautiful resting place for veterans, due to its distance from Orange County, regional geography, limited driving routes, and the population density of the region, the needs of Orange County veterans, veterans from other southern California coastal areas, and veterans' families are not met by the National Cemetery in Riverside;

WHEREAS, the two State Veterans Cemeteries are distant from Orange County; the Northern California State Veterans Cemetery is located near Redding in Igo, California, and the Central Coast State Veterans Cemetery will be located in Monterey, California; and

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1453 is pending in the California State Legislature, directing the California Department of Veterans Affairs, to develop a master plan for a State-owned and operated Southern California Veterans Cemetery to be located in Orange County.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Garden Grove hereby supports the passage of Assembly Bill 1453 and the establishment of a Southern California Veterans Cemetery in Orange County.

Adopted this 11th day of March 2014.

ATTEST:

/s/ BRUCE A. BROADWATER
MAYOR

/s/ KATHLEEN BAILOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

