



**Proclamation Authorizing the Formation of a
Sister City Relationship with Lankaran, Azerbaijan**

WHEREAS, the Republic of Azerbaijan has established good working relations with local institutions, including the Naval Postgraduate School, and Monterey Institute of International Studies, as well as the Defense Language Institute. The Azerbaijani-American community contributes to the regional diversity and intercultural understanding in the City of Monterey; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Lankaran, Azerbaijan and Monterey are very similar with shared common interest such as development of sustainable tourism, growth of agricultural and preservation of the fishing industry; and,

WHEREAS, both cities share a desire to share extraordinary services with their citizens, we look forward to a long relationship with Lankaran, Azerbaijan and many cultural exchanges.; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AGREED THAT I, Chuck Della Sala, Mayor of the City of Monterey, on behalf of the City Council and citizens, and Consul General Elin Suleymanov hereby designates the City of Lankaran, Azerbaijan and Monterey, California as sister-cities.

*Elin Suleymanov
Consul General
Azerbaijan*

*Chuck Della Sala
Mayor
Monterey, California*

June 21, 2011
Date

*Abdullayev Samadagha Mirhamza
Lankaran, Azerbaijan*

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*Aliyev Alimardan Alakbar
Lankaran, Azerbaijan*

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