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Proclaim the Week of October 19-23, 2015 as Open Data Week in Los Angeles County

The County of Los Angeles (County) continues to play a leadership role in encouraging innovation and making the County more transparent and accountable to the people it serves. On January 2015, the Board of Supervisors unanimously approved an Open Data Initiative to create the first one-stop website for anyone seeking information or data from County departments.

The County Open Data website was launched in May 2015 and there are currently ten County departments participating in this initiative, publishing more than forty-eight datasets and over one hundred maps and charts. Open data offers economic, social, and educational benefits and creates tremendous opportunities for stimulating greater community engagement with County government to improve the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of the services provided.

County departments continue to publish new datasets and foster the development of new forms of citizen engagement and collaboration using County open data.

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**I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

1. Proclaim the week of October 19-23, 2015 as Open Data Week;
2. Challenge each County department to publish at least one dataset on the County Open Data website by December 15, 2015; and
3. Direct the Chief Data Officer to prepare an Annual Report on the implementation, progress, and public utilization of the County Open Data website and to publish the first issue on May 20, 2016.

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