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Proclaiming April 30 as Jane Fonda Day in Los Angeles County

Jane Fonda is an American actor and activist whose contributions have left an indelible mark on entertainment and social activism, especially women’s rights and environmental advocacy. Throughout her illustrious career spanning decades, Jane Fonda has not only captivated audiences with her performances on screen but has also fearlessly championed causes that promote environmental sustainability, gender equality, and social justice.

Born on December 21, 1937, in New York City, Jane Fonda hails from a family deeply ingrained in the arts and social consciousness. Her father, Henry Fonda, was an actor, and her mother, Frances Ford Seymour, was an influential community leader and activist. From an early age, Jane Fonda was exposed to the power of storytelling and the importance of using her platform to amplify voices that often go unheard.

Jane Fonda’s acting career spans over six decades, during which she has earned acclaim and accolades for her performances in a wide range of films, including "Klute," "Coming Home," and "On Golden Pond." Her talent, versatility, and commitment to her craft have earned her numerous awards, including two Academy Awards, two BAFTA Awards, and several Golden Globe Awards.

Beyond her contributions to the entertainment industry, Jane Fonda is equally renowned for
her activism. The roots of Jane Fonda's advocacy can be traced back to Santa Monica, where she became heavily involved in community activism and social justice causes. Inspired by her experiences during the Vietnam War era, Jane Fonda became an outspoken advocate for peace and social justice. Her courageous efforts to raise awareness about the plight of veterans and victims of war have showcased her unwavering commitment to humanitarian causes.

In addition to her social justice advocacy, Jane Fonda has been a tireless champion for environmental activism. Recognizing the urgent need to address climate change and protect our planet's precious resources, Jane Fonda has dedicated herself to raising awareness about environmental issues and advocating for sustainable solutions. She has led numerous protests and demonstrations, including her weekly Fire Drill Fridays in Washington, D.C., where she has brought attention to the climate crisis and called for immediate action from policymakers.

Throughout her life, Jane Fonda has continued to lend her voice and resources to causes she holds dear. She has been a staunch advocate for women's rights, reproductive freedom, and environmental conservation, demonstrating a deep sense of empathy and compassion for those disenfranchised. She has also been an advocate for racial justice and criminal justice reform. Jane Fonda's dedication to environmental activism aligns with the values of Earth Month, and her commitment to raising awareness and promoting sustainable solutions serves as an inspiration to all who strive to protect our planet for future generations.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Proclaim April 30 of each year as Jane Fonda Day in Los Angeles County beginning in
2024.

2. Promote attendance at the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting on April 30, where Jane Fonda will be recognized by the Board.

3. Encourage communities across Los Angeles to celebrate the contributions of Jane Fonda by engaging in service and advocacy for social and environmental causes.

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