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Declaring the City of STEM the Official Science Festival of Los Angeles County

City of STEM is Southern California's largest celebration of science, creativity, invention, and fun bringing together over 200 organizations and makers and over 20,000 attendees from across Los Angeles County. City of STEM is a month-long initiative, that highlights the County's continued leadership in STEM through dozens of community activities throughout April as well as through a massive, free public STEM festival. This event, called the City of STEM + Los Angeles Maker Faire, features expert panel discussions, workshops, mainstage entertainment, VIPs, special guests, and live music.

City of STEM creates opportunities through its month-long series of events to inspire learners of all ages in Greater Los Angeles area to chase their curiosity, connect with others and celebrate the joy and beauty of science, technology, engineering, and math while inspiring generations of science enthusiasts, researchers, educators, and industry leaders. Activities throughout the month include interactive workshops, hands-on learning challenges, and easy access to museums and other STEM experiences across Southern California.

Additionally, the City of STEM + Los Angeles Maker Faire event is held annually in April and co-hosted by the Columbia Memorial Space Center, located in the City of Downey, and the Los Angeles Public Library. In 2025, the City of STEM + Los Angeles Maker Faire will take place on

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April 12 and will be held in Exposition Park for the first time.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Declare City of STEM and the City of STEM +Los Angeles Maker Faire event at Exposition Park the Official Science Festival of Los Angeles County;
2. Encourage all County residents to visit cityofstem.org to learn more and attend the City of STEM +Los Angeles Maker Faire event on April 12, 2025; and
3. Encourage County departments including, but not limited to, Beaches and Harbors, Health Services, Internal Services, Library, Medical Examiner, Public Health, Public Works and Youth Development, Los Angeles County Office of Education, LA County's Delete the Divide, to support outreach efforts and encourage participation in the 2025 City of STEM activities and the City of STEM + Los Angeles Maker Faire event.

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