



# Press Advisory

FROM

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**Third District**

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## **Zine Declares Citywide “National Donate a Life Month”**

*LOS ANGELES* - During tomorrow’s meeting of the Los Angeles City Council, Councilman Dennis P. Zine will be joined by Linda Escobar of the UCLA Pathology Department and Tenaya Wallace, Manager of Communications of One Legacy, to declare April, 2005, “National Donate a Life Month” in Los Angeles.

Each year, approximately 25,000 lives are saved and the quality of life for countless others is enhanced by organ and tissue transplantation. While many people have not taken the time to consider donating their organs, a single individual’s donation of the heart, lungs, kidneys, liver pancreas and small intestine can save up to seven lives.

The Donate Life California Registry is dedicated to giving every person awaiting a transplant a second chance at life—and ensuring that every organ and tissue donor’s wishes are respected. Councilman Zine is hopeful that by drawing attention to this important issue, more Los Angeles residents will take the time to register their names.

In recognition of their continuing efforts to promote this cause, Councilman Zine will present proclamations to both Linda Escobar and Tenaya Wallace. Ms. Escobar donated her liver to save her mothers life, and is the second known living liver donor. Ms. Wallace is the Manager of Communications of One Legacy, the Organ Procurement Organization for Southern California.

Currently more than 87,000 individuals nationwide and 18, 000 in California are on the national organ transplant waiting list.

**WHEN:** Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005  
10:00 a.m.

**WHERE:** John Ferraro Council Chambers Room 340, City Hall  
200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

**WHO:** Councilman Dennis P. Zine; UCLA Pathology Department and organ donor, Linda Escobar; Manager of Communications of One Legacy, Tenaya Wallace.

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