

Mayor's Office

AGENDA REPORT

DATE:	August 19, 2025
ТО:	Members of the City Council
FROM:	Mayor Eduardo Martinez
Subject:	Proclamation Welcoming the Visit of the Golden Rule Peace Boat to the City of Richmond
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	None
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	None
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	Presentation of a proclamation welcoming the Golden Rule Peace Boat to Richmond on August 19, 2025, in recognition of its historic role in promoting nuclear disarmament and its continued mission to advance peace, environmental stewardship, and social justice.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	PROCLAMATION Welcoming the Visit of the Golden Rule Peace Boat to the City of Richmond - Mayor Eduardo Martinez (510-620-6503)

DISCUSSION:

The Golden Rule Peace Boat has a storied history as both a vessel and a symbol of nonviolent activism. First launched in 1958 by four Quaker activists in an effort to halt nuclear bomb testing in the Pacific, its journey helped spark global protests and contributed to the eventual signing of the Limited Nuclear Test Ban Treaty in 1963. After sinking in 2010, the Golden Rule was salvaged and restored through the dedication of veterans, Quakers, and volunteers, returning to the water in 2015 under the stewardship of Veterans for Peace.

Today, the Golden Rule continues its mission to promote nuclear disarmament, raise awareness of the interconnected impacts of militarism, environmental harm, and social injustice, and advocate for global peace. Its upcoming visit to Richmond, from August

19 to August 22, 2025, will include community outreach and educational events supporting the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. The City of Richmond, a member of Mayors for Peace since 2007, has long upheld values of peace, environmental stewardship, and social justice. Welcoming the Golden Rule Peace Boat aligns with the City's ongoing commitment to advancing these principles locally and globally.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Proclamation Welcoming the Visit of the Golden Rule Peace Boat to the City of Richmond