

## HỘI THỦY QUÂN LỤC CHIẾN NAM CALIFORNIA

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## **Venue-Donation Request Letter**

July 13, 2018

Mayor Steve Jones and Council Members City of Garden Grove

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

The South Vietnamese Marines Veteran Charities Association is serving as the administrative sponsor of the 2018 Mid-Autumn Children's Festival, to be held on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018, and is organized by the Coordinating Committee of Vietnamese American Youth Organizations. In hope of providing a safe environment for children and families attending this event, we are requesting the use of the **Atlantis Play Center** and seeking the City Council's consideration to co-sponsoring this event. Should the City Council approve our fee waiver request, we are prepared to absorb 5% of the venue cost for the event.

The Mid-Autumn Children's Festival is traditionally celebrated in many cultures in Asia, including Vietnam. This event will specifically put an emphasis on the celebration of children. Based on the number of attendees last year, we are expecting to have between 500-800 attendees. The event will be free and open to all children and families, featuring activities such as Arts and crafts; Cultural performances; Lion dance; Games; Drawing contest; and Free lanterns for kids.

The Coordinating Committee of Vietnamese American Youth Organizations is a network aimed at facilitating the collaborations among different youth-serving groups to promote friendship, understanding, and community service. Current and past members include: Cao Dai Youth Association, Vietnamese Young Marines, Phan Boi Chau Youth Association, Vietnamese Youth Ministry, Buddhist Youth Association, and the Union of Vietnamese Student Associations.

We appreciate an opportunity to partner with Garden Grove. If you have any questions, please contact me at (714) 713-4659 or Phong Ly, (714) 725-8389, phongly@ucla.edu. Thank You.

Sincerely,

Hung P. Nguyen

President