

Proclamation
Ric Lerma and Maureen Blackmun
Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce
2020/2021 Man and Woman of the Year

- WHEREAS, The Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce named Ric Lerma and Maureen Blackmun as the 2020/2021 Garden Grove Man and Woman of the Year for their lifetime of volunteerism in the city of Garden Grove and Orange County. Their reign began July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, Ric Lerma dedicated his life to enhancing the community through volunteer efforts with many different service clubs in Garden Grove. In 2015 and 2016, he received the Silver Spoon Award from the Women's Division of the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce, and was named Garden Grove Citizen of the Year at the Cypress College Americana Awards in 2017 for his community involvement; and
- WHEREAS, Ric has been involved with the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce; Garden Grove Host Lions Club; Garden Grove Downtown Business Association; Garden Grove Community Foundation; Garden Grove Neighborhood Association; Garden Grove Police Advisory Commission; Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Association; and Saint Columban Catholic Church and School; and
- WHEREAS, Maureen Blackmun, a longtime resident of Garden Grove, is currently the president of the Garden Grove Neighborhood Association. As president, she volunteers her time to organize neighborhood events, support charities, attend and participate in Garden Grove City Council meetings, and keeps the community updated and involved in local issues; and
- WHEREAS, Maureen has spent countless hours of her own time to make sure Garden Grove is a better place to live. She makes sure the voice of Garden Grove residents are heard and sits down with local legislators to discuss local concerns and help find solutions; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Garden Grove congratulates the 2020/2021 Man and Woman of the Year, Ric Lerma and Maureen Blackmun. Garden Grove expresses profound appreciation to these outstanding honorees for their invaluable efforts and unsurpassed spirit of community.
- NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Garden Grove City Council do hereby proclaim Ric Lerma and Maureen Blackmun as the 2020/2021 Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce Man and Woman of the Year, and deeply commend their achievements.

March 8, 2022