

A Resolution of the Woodland City Council

Declaring April 7, 2011 *Woodland Reads Day*

Whereas the Woodland Reads program began in 2002 to unite community members and school students to read and discuss, in common, the same locally selected book; and

Whereas the primary purpose of Woodland Reads is to promote literacy and a habit of reading literature that prompts discussion, challenges preconceptions and promotes positive values; and

Whereas to promote its purpose a unique feature of Woodland Reads has been the bringing of the author of the selected book to visit the community and schools; and

Whereas for this eighth year of Woodland Reads programs, the highly acclaimed novel, *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet*, by Jamie Ford has been selected; and

Whereas many local individuals, businesses and organizations demonstrate support for the goals of Woodland Reads by contributing generously so that copies of the selected book are purchased for classes at Woodland and Pioneer High Schools, Woodland Christian School and Esparto High School; and

Whereas on April 7, 2011, Jamie Ford will be in Woodland to visit with high school students and speak at a community luncheon and evening book signing:

Therefore be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Woodland proclaims April 7, 2011 Woodland Reads Day.

Be it further resolved that the City Council commends the Woodland Reads program to city residents and encourages all to participate by reading *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* and by attending the public events.

Adopted Tuesday, March 15, 2011