

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the City of Torrance recognizes with great pride, Ron Littlefair, who from 1964-1975 volunteered at many levels in the South Bay in an effort to help build the American Youth Soccer Organization (A.Y.S.O.); and
- WHEREAS,** in 1964, A.Y.S.O began operations with nine teams, four teams in Torrance and five teams in Culver City. Under the guidance and vision of Ron Littlefair, A.Y.S.O. in South Torrance was born; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1964, Ron was approached to join a "new" soccer organization (AYSO) and help organize in the South Bay Area. Ron became the first Commissioner when AYSO had only seven teams; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1966-67, Ron assumed the role of Vice President of Growth and Development, traveling throughout California and the states, promoting AYSO and their motto, "Everyone Plays"; and
- WHEREAS,** in the season of 1967-68, Ron placed his public relations marker and Torrance (AKA South Bay) would lead the Southern California cities to their rightful leadership place in AYSO; and
- WHEREAS,** Ron Littlefair was instrumental in these growing years to prepare, print, and deliver the weekly Soccer Kicker to every team in Torrance that expressed the joy of the youth. Ron "retired" from AYSO in 1975 after it had grown to over 24,000 teams; and
- WHEREAS,** thanks to its Pioneers like Ron, A.Y.S.O. has more than 50,000 teams, more than 650,000 players and is supported by more than 250,000 parents across the nation, who passionately dedicate their time and talents as coaches, referees, team parents, administrators and sponsors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby honor, commend and express sincere appreciation to

RON LITTLEFAIR

for his outstanding contributions and dedicated service to the youth of the community. Ron Littlefair has made a positive and lasting impact on many lives and serves as an inspiration for all citizens.

Signed this 8th day of May 2012.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk

