

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-48

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO
MICHAEL B. DONLEY
SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
FOR SERVING AS GRAND MARSHAL OF THE
53RD ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE AND OBSERVANCE**

- WHEREAS,** for 52 consecutive years, the City of Torrance has sponsored an Armed Forces Day Parade; and
- WHEREAS,** the 53rd Annual Armed Forces Day Observance will commence on May 18, with military exhibits at Del Amo Fashion Center and the parade taking place on May 19, 2012 in the City of Torrance; and
- WHEREAS,** each year the Armed Forces Day Celebration gives special recognition to a specific branch of the military service, and this year the City proudly salutes the United States Air Force and is honored to have Michael B. Donley serve as Grand Marshal of the parade; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Donley is the 22nd Secretary of the United States Air Force, Washington, D.C., confirmed on October 2, 2008. He served in the U.S. Army from 1972 to 1975 with the 18th Airborne Corps and 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), attended the Army's Intelligence and Airborne Schools and the Defense Language Institute, earned both Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in international relations from the University of Southern California, and attended the Senior Executives in National Security program at Harvard University; and
- WHEREAS,** Mr. Donley supported two Presidents and five National Security Advisers during his service at the National Security Council from 1984 to 1989. As Deputy Executive Secretary he oversaw the White House Situation Room and chaired interagency committees on crisis management procedures and continuity of government. As Director of Defense Programs, he was the NSC representative to the Defense Resources Board, he conceived and organized the President's Blue Ribbon Commission on Defense Management (the Packard Commission), coordinated White House policy on the Goldwater-Nichols DOD Reorganization Act of 1986, and wrote the National Security Strategy for President Reagan's second term. He was also a Professional Staff Member on the Senate Armed Services Committee from 1981 to 1984; and

WHEREAS, from 1996 to 2005, Mr. Donley was a Senior Vice President at Hicks and Associates, Inc., a subsidiary of Science Applications International Corporation and a consultant to DOD and the State Department on national security matters. From 1993 to 1996, he was Senior Fellow at the Institute for Defense Analyses and was a Senior Consultant to the Commission on Roles and Missions of the Armed Forces and participated in two studies on the organization of the Joint Staff and the Office of the Chairman, JCS. Prior to this position, he served as the Acting Secretary of the Air Force for seven months, and from 1989 to 1993 he was the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management and Comptroller); and

WHEREAS, he has 30 years of experience in the national security community, including service in the Senate, White House and the Pentagon. Prior to assuming his current position, Mr. Donley served as the Director of Administration and Management in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. He oversaw organizational and management planning for the Department of Defense and all administration, facility, information technology and security matters for the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, he is responsible for the affairs of the Department of the Air Force, including the organizing, training, equipping and providing for the welfare of its more than 334,000 men and women on active duty, 176,000 members of the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve, 170,000 civilians, and their families. He also oversees the Air Force's annual budget of more than \$119 billion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council, on behalf of its members and the citizens of Torrance, California, expresses its appreciation to Secretary of the United States Air Force

MICHAEL B. DONLEY

who, by his presence, contributes honor and prestige to this annual patriotic event in the City of Torrance.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15TH day of May 2012.

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN L. FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Patrick Q. Sullivan
Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk