

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the City of Torrance recognizes with great pride, Siegfried Schmid, who from 1964-1969 played soccer as one of the first City of Torrance youth in 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; and
- WHEREAS,** from 1969-1974, Sigi Schmid was a volunteer Coach in the "new" soccer organization (AYSO) and helped to organize teams in the South Bay Area; and
- WHEREAS,** from 1972-1975, Sigi played for the UCLA men's team and made three final four team appearances; and
- WHEREAS,** Sigi went on to become the UCLA head men's Soccer Coach from 1980-1998, World Cup Team Assistant Coach 1992-1994, USA U20 National Team Coach from 1998-1999 and again in 2004-2005; and
- WHEREAS,** from 1999-2004, Sigi was the Head Coach of the Los Angeles Galaxy, Head Coach of the Columbus Crew from 2006-2008, and Head Coach of the Seattle Sounders Soccer Team from 2009-present; and
- WHEREAS,** thanks to its Pioneers like Sigi, 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

SIGI SCHMID

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

Signed this 15th day of May.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk