

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-43**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
 CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO  
 GENERAL KEVIN P. CHILTON  
 OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
 FOR SERVING AS GRAND MARSHAL OF THE  
 48TH ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE AND OBSERVANCE**

- WHEREAS,** for 47 consecutive years, the City of Torrance has sponsored an Armed Forces Day Parade; and
- WHEREAS,** the 48th Annual Armed Forces Day Observance will begin on May 18, with military exhibits at Del Amo Fashion Center and the parade taking place on May 19, 2007 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 General Kevin P. Chilton serve as Grand Marshal of the parade; and
- WHEREAS,** General Kevin P. Chilton is the Commander of Air Force Space Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado; and
- WHEREAS,** General Chilton is a distinguished graduate of the U. S. Air Force Academy and received his Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering at Columbia University New York, New York, a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Test Pilot School, he has attended various military schools, culminating in his graduation from the Air War College in 2001; and
- WHEREAS,** General Chilton has served in the United States Air Force with distinction for over 36 years with Commands including Joint Functional Component for Space and Global Strike, U.S. Strategic Command, 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force, 9<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Wing, in addition he has flown on three space shuttle missions and served as Deputy Program Manager of Operations for the International Space Station Program, and he has served on the Air Force Space Command Staff, the Joint Staff, and the Air Staff; and
- WHEREAS,** General Chilton, upon graduating from the Air Force Academy and undergoing various pilot training programs, served as an RF-4C Replacement pilot and instructor pilot, 15<sup>th</sup> Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan; F15C pilot, 67<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron, Kadena Japan; F15A pilot, instructor pilot and flight commander 9<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> tactical fighter squadrons, Holloman, New Mexico; test pilot and operations officer, becoming an astronaut for NASA, Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas; and

**WHEREAS,** among General Chilton's personal awards are the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Distinguished Flying Cross, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), NASA Space Flight Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), NASA Exceptional Service Medal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council, on behalf of its members and the citizens of Torrance, California, expresses its appreciation to

## ***GENERAL KEVIN P. CHILTON***

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

**INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 2007.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk