

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-100

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING
FIREFIGHTER HENRY J. HESS
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Henry Hess began his career with the City of Torrance as a Firefighter on February 22, 1982. He was assigned to various engine and truck companies which broadened his experience base. On several occasions, he routinely moved-up to the Engineer and Captain positions helping to meet Department needs; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Hess was assigned as Paramedic from 1984 to 1998; he was a valuable asset to company operations during medical emergency and fire related calls. His paramedic knowledge and genuine concern to others reflected his caring attitude where he demonstrated professionalism and instant action. He received commendations from both the public and the Fire Chief for his compassion and dedication to the public and to his duty; and

WHEREAS, in March 2000, while on move-up as a Captain, Henry (Hank) received a spot award for his role as a Project Manager in the Communications Center remodel, repairs, transfer, and reinstallation of the communications equipment. Hank's ability to pay attention to detail was instrumental in the successful completion of this time-intensive project; and

WHEREAS, Hank was a valuable resource for necessary repairs in our fire stations. His approachable, enthusiastic, and natural ability on many areas made getting repairs in the stations easily accomplished. Hank's extra effort towards his duties and responsibilities were always counted on for precise completion of any task; and

WHEREAS, Hank retired from the City's employment on August 12, 2007. He provided 25 years of dedicated service to the City of Torrance and unselfishly used his expertise for maximum team performance to the benefit of the Fire Department and the citizens of Torrance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Torrance, California, does hereby commend, honor, and congratulate retired Firefighter

HENRY J. HESS

for his dedication, professionalism, and contributions to the City of Torrance while in our employ; and, be it further resolved, that Hank be wished a full and rewarding life in his retirement years.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of October 2007.

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, City Clerk