RESOLUTION NO. 2008-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING

MARK E. APPLEGATE

FOR HIS SERVICE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

WHEREAS, Mark Applegate served this community as the Chairman of the Board of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Mark's leadership resulted in the establishment of a Young Professionals group for young emerging business members; the development of an Educational and Training Program for small business – TACC University; and the partnership website with the City of Torrance, entitled www.greentorrance.com; and

WHEREAS, during Mark's term, Membership Growth in the Torrance Chamber grew to over 1,126 business members in 2007-2008; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance and the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce launched its first cooperative lobbying trip to Sacramento, as well as the Chamber's lobbying efforts as part of a 200-member delegation of Los Angeles County leaders on Access D.C., in addition to the highly successful State of the City Address with the Honorable Torrance Mayor Frank Scotto; and

WHEREAS, Mark Applegate led the expansion of the Torrance Chamber's Political Action Committee in 2007-08 conducting interviews and endorsing candidates in the Torrance City Council election and in support of the re-election of LA County Supervisor Don Knabe plus program achievement with the 11th Black History Celebration, the signature Networking at Noon lunches, and the inaugural Small Business Awards Luncheon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Torrance, California, does hereby honor

MARK E. APPLEGATE

as the outgoing Chairman of the Board of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, and extends Mark every good wish for continued success in his future endeavors.

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of May 2008.

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Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

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Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

ATTEST:

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk

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