

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-67

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING
RHODA LOVETT FLOURNOY
UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER TWENTY-FOUR YEARS OF SERVICE**

- WHEREAS,** Rhoda Lovett Flournoy began working as an Intermediate Library Clerk for the Torrance Public Library on June 11, 1984; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda provided exceptional public service at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library Circulation Department from 1984 to 1988, expertly handling registration input, and was instrumental in re-registering and ensuring that approximately 19,000 patrons received their new library cards when the computer system was upgraded; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda consistently performed her circulation desk tasks courteously and patiently, greeting patrons with a smile and a helpful attitude when assisting them with checking materials in and out, as well as providing a friendly and responsive voice to those individuals seeking assistance by phone; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda continued to grow in her position, learning new and challenging tasks such as opening and closing duties, overdues and collections, and payroll entry; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1988, Rhoda was selected as the Intermediate Library Clerk for the Southeast Branch Library, where she continued her outstanding public service at its circulation desk, and also used her excellent clerical and data entry skills to process patron registrations, barcode records and audiocassettes, type order cards, process periodicals, and prepare statistical reports; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda returned to the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library in 1990 to serve as Overdues Clerk, where she kindly reminded borrowers to return their late materials, patiently explaining payment policies and procedures; and
- WHEREAS,** also serving as Library Assistant I in the Acquisitions section at the Civic Center Library, Rhoda capably and efficiently checked in periodicals, ordered supplies, processed payments, and sorted vast quantities of mail received by the Library; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda used her considerable knowledge and experience in library operations to assist with cataloging thousands of books for the past seven years; and
- WHEREAS,** Rhoda Lovett Flournoy is well-liked by her fellow employees and will be genuinely missed.

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

RHODA LOVETT FLOURNOY

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

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

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers
City Clerk