

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-109**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING
FIRE CAPTAIN DANIEL L. McNELEY
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

- WHEREAS,** Dan McNeley began his career with the City of Torrance as a Firefighter on September 13, 1978, and subsequently served in the capacity of Firefighter/Paramedic from July 2, 1982, until being promoted to Fire Captain on April 8, 2001; and
- WHEREAS,** during his 30 years in fire service, Dan worked in various engine and rescue companies and always stressed continuing education opportunities and quality improvement needs of the Department. He received numerous commendations from the City Manager, Fire Chief, schools, and the citizens of Torrance for his compassionate demeanor and dedication to the public; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan served as the Paramedic/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Coordinator during the last four years of his career, focusing on providing the highest level of emergency medical services to the public. Dan consistently provided the necessary direction to the Department's Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) and Paramedics to ensure they maintained State licenses and County accreditations, and led the charge towards implementation of the following new programs: Inter-Osseous I.V. Procedures, C-PAP Device (an important tool in treating patients with breathing problems), Standard Field Treatment Protocols for Paramedics, and Wireless Capnography; and
- WHEREAS,** Captain McNeley coordinated efforts to improve relationships with local hospitals and the County's Department of Health Services. He stayed current in EMS issues and fostered good relationships with various EMS agencies in the Southern Section, L.A. Area Fire Agencies, and various legislative and advisory committees; and
- WHEREAS,** Captain McNeley achieved his goals as an EMS Coordinator. He continued to build upon and define the role of the Fire Department's EMS Nurse; coordinated all the training for the EMTs and Paramedics; tracked new Paramedic Trainees with their progress through the Paramedic Training Institute; and coordinated annual inventories for the MVI/MCI kits; and
- WHEREAS,** under Captain McNeley's leadership, the Torrance Fire Department secured a grant which made it possible to purchase new 12-lead cardiac monitors. Additionally, the Department's EMS program received a review by the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services that contained no deficiencies, which is a rare feat for an EMS provider agency; and

WHEREAS, Dan’s leadership, professionalism, teamwork and organizational skills, solid decision-making process, friendly demeanor, strong communication skills, and positive attitude led him to a very successful career in the fire service; and

WHEREAS, Dan retired from the City’s employment on October 25, 2008. He has provided 30 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 Fire Captain/EMS Coordinator

DANIEL L. McNELEY

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of October 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