

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-11

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

JANE ISOMOTO

**UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER FORTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE**

- WHEREAS,** Jane Isomoto first became familiar with City Hall when she came to visit her mother, Florence Gustafson, a long-time City employee. Following in her mom's footsteps, Jane began her career with the City of Torrance in 1964 as a mail clerk; and
- WHEREAS,** Jane truly exemplified the concept of "working her way up", beginning her career as a mail clerk and rising through the ranks as a senior clerk typist, an account clerk, and, as she finished her college education, moving into the professional planning series, first as a Planning Technician, then a Planning Assistant, Planning Associate, Senior Planning Associate and finally as a Planning Manager; and
- WHEREAS,** Jane has served in Redevelopment, Housing, General Plan and Development Review, bringing the same fierce dedication to each and every project she has been involved in, whether it be as staff Planner, Supervisor or Manager, including such varied projects as the redevelopment of the 25 acres that now contains American Honda, the Torrance Marriott, and currently, the new Lifestyle wing of the Del Amo Mall; and
- WHEREAS,** Jane also brought her skills and knowledge to a number of special assignments, such as the Streetscape Committee and the SMART team, as well as serving as staff liaison to the Planning Commission, where she earned the respect of those she worked with by virtue of her grace and diplomacy under sometimes very difficult circumstances; and
- WHEREAS,** while Jane demands and expects excellence from both the development community in the form of projects brought forward and her staff and co-workers in terms of their work, she never demands more than she herself is willing to give. This has won her the respect and admiration of all those who work with her; and
- WHEREAS,** prior to moving over to the "Dark Side", Jane was very active in the Engineers Organization, serving on the Board as well as leading the negotiations team both for the Engineers and for the Coalition of City Employees. She also served on the board of the Credit Union and on her Homeowners Association Board, all of this while still finding time to travel both here and abroad with her husband, Jim; and
- WHEREAS,** Jane has distinguished herself over the years through the quality of her work and through her character, setting an example of excellence, diligence, dignity and grace in both her professional and private life that will serve as an example for all who follow.

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

Jane Isomoto

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of February 2006.

Mayor Dan Walker

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk