

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-59

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

MARK T. COLLINS

**UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Mark Collins began his career with the City of Torrance as a Firefighter on August 27, 1979, and was promoted to Fire Engineer on January 8, 1984. He was assigned to various engine and truck companies, which broadened his experience base; and

WHEREAS, Mark was a competent Engineer, always focusing on safety first. He carried out his duties and responsibilities in a professional manner. As an Engineer, his defensive driving style got the company's crew to the scene of emergencies in a calm state of mind, which provided the tone for organized emergency situation. He understood his role at emergency incidents and performed at a very high level; and

WHEREAS, in August 2002, Engineer Collins joined the Hazardous Materials team. He led by example of displaying strong work ethics and positive attitude toward responsibilities. He knew his job well and was very reliable. He was proficient in SCBA repairs, saving the department costly repairs of the equipment; and

WHEREAS, Mark was a diligent team player and maintained professional demeanor toward his colleagues and the public. He received many commendations from the residents and the Fire Chief for his dedication to duty and much involvement with community safety events; and

WHEREAS, Engineer Collins, who retired on May 8, 2010, provided over 30 years of dedicated service to the City of Torrance and unselfishly used his technical expertise 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 Fire Engineer

MARK T. COLLINS

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22ND day of June 2010.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

by _____
Patrick Q. Sullivan, Assistant City Attorney

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, City Clerk