

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-104**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING*****SAM THOMAS*****UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Sam Thomas began his career with the City of Torrance as a Temporary Bus Operator on January 18, 1988, and was promoted to Permanent Bus Operator on June 19, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Sam earned seventeen annual Safe Driving Awards, demonstrating a commitment to exemplifying the highest vehicle handling safety standards and skills and concern for the wellbeing of his passengers by driving seventeen years without preventable accidents, earning the recognition and respect of the riding public, fellow drivers, and management; and

WHEREAS, Sam was an honored recipient of the 2007-2008 annual "Top Twelve" award in the Transit Workplace Safety and Attendance Incentives Program created in 2003, a program recognizing positive attendance history, compliance with policy and safety awareness, and impressive interpersonal skills with co-workers and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Sam spent most of his career driving Route Three between the Redondo Beach Pier and the Long Beach Transit Center, and displayed an ongoing commitment to the Transit Department by training many new operators along this route; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 22 years that Sam has represented the City of Torrance, his professional work ethic and quality of character have made him a highly respected employee, public servant to the passengers of Torrance Transit, and co-worker as evidenced by his six nominations for Operator of the Quarter. He was awarded this honor in the Fourth Quarter of 1996 for excellent execution of his duties as a Torrance Transit operator.

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

SAM THOMAS

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of November 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