

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-134

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING
POLICE LIEUTENANT
PATRICK ALBERT SHORTALL
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER TWENTY-SIX YEARS OF SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Patrick Shortall began his law enforcement career as a Police Officer with the Signal Hill Police Department and was hired by the City of Torrance as a Lateral Entry Police Officer on October 1, 1984. He was promoted to Sergeant on December 12, 1993, and to Lieutenant on August 11, 2002; and

WHEREAS, Patrick served in various assignments within the Police Department, including Patrol as an Officer, Field Sergeant, and Area Commander; Traffic Division; Youth Services and Crimes Property sections of the Detective Division; Research and Training Division as Staff Support and Division Commander; Property Room Sergeant; Communications Division; and as the Chief's Adjutant and Public Information Officer; and

WHEREAS, Pat was considered an outstanding employee who led by example and who became an exemplary manager that understood the value of mentoring and developing the skills of his subordinates. He had an "open door policy", which had a positive effect on morale and emphasized his belief in the importance of team building; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Shortall's collateral duties included being a supervisor for the CSI Detail, South Bay Platoon, Mall Detail, K-9 Detail and in the Neighborhood Watch Program. His knowledge and experience in all areas of the Police Department enabled him to be a bridge builder between divisions. He put extensive time and effort into each of these details and has left each much improved and more proactive in anticipating the needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Shortall has received numerous letters of commendation from citizens, local business owners, attorneys and other agencies regarding his skill and willingness to share his knowledge which helped emphasize the teamwork between the Department and our community; and

WHEREAS, Patrick has provided 26 years of dedicated service to the City of Torrance and has unselfishly used his many skills for the benefit of the Police 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

PATRICK ALBERT SHORTALL

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of December 2010.

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Patrick Q. Sullivan, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, City Clerk