

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-11

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING
FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC
TIMOTHY R. CUMMINGS
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY
AFTER THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE**

- WHEREAS,** Timothy Cummings was hired by the City of Torrance on April 4, 1977 as a Fire Communications Operator, then left City employment in November 1979. He returned to start his fire service career with the Torrance Fire Department as a Firefighter on June 2, 1980, and became a certified Paramedic on February 5, 1985; and
- WHEREAS,** Tim always demonstrated his passion for emergency medical services by providing exceptional, high level care and professionalism when assisting the citizens of our community; and
- WHEREAS,** Tim's career goal was maintaining the high standards of TFD's paramedic service. His composure on countless responses provided a genuine and caring atmosphere for both the patients and his peers. Tim received many commendations for his compassion and dedication, as well as awards of recognition from other agencies for unselfishly donating his services to many causes. An inspired leader and excellent instructor, Tim's demeanor, congenial manner, and natural bearing were all reflected in the successful completion of any assigned task; and
- WHEREAS,** Tim provided outstanding documentation; his reports were clear, accurate and complete. He served as the Department's "Forms Officer" for many years and has been repeatedly praised for his prompt attention to this duty. He was a valuable asset to company operations and always realized the importance of public relations; and
- WHEREAS,** Tim's vast experience helped train and develop junior paramedics both procedurally and with patient care. Tim was truly passionate about personnel safety and the observance of safety standards. He shared lessons learned from firefighting tactics and emergency medical through instruction, mentoring, and monitoring compliance with Department of Health Services requirements; and
- WHEREAS,** Firefighter/Paramedic Cummings retired from the City's employment on December 18, 2010. He provided over 32 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

TIMOTHY R. CUMMINGS

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

INTRODUCED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of February 2011.

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Patrick Q. Sullivan, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, City Clerk