

**RESOLUTION NO. 2011-12****A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING  
FIREFIGHTER****MICHAEL L. JENKINS  
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY  
AFTER THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE**

- WHEREAS,** Michael Jenkins began his career with the City of Torrance as a Firefighter on June 2, 1980, and worked in various engine companies which broadened his experience in fire service. In September 2004, he was appointed Operations Specialist, where he spent many years as part of a Shift Command Team, assisting the Battalion Chiefs/Platoon Commanders in their daily discharge of duties; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike demonstrated professionalism during all emergency situations he was in – including the Proud Parrot fire, ExxonMobil fire, 1992 riots in Inglewood, Torrance Airport incidents, and several wildland fires in Palos Verdes. In performing his duties as a Firefighter/EMT, Mike directly provided Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) on many patients and assisted in several baby deliveries, including one baby girl he delivered himself; and
- WHEREAS,** as Operations Specialist, Mike required intimate knowledge of the Incident Command System and extensive training in all aspects of managing a Command Post for the “All Risk” spectrum of emergencies encountered in the City of Torrance. As a member of a Shift Command Team, Mike trained for, and mastered, the job of Situation and Resource Status leader. He made the handling of potentially complex emergency situations easier by tracking and documenting resources and assignments. He maintained accurate records and always kept the Incident Commander informed of changes that occurred during incidents; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike’s extensive knowledge and use of computer skills assisted him in managing the automated, roster-based, Telestaff Payroll system, the Department’s complex hiring procedures, and the design and implementation of on-board computers in the command vehicles. Mike played a key role in the successful evolution and adaptation of the Telestaff Payroll system; and
- WHEREAS,** Mike was the quiet, well-mannered, team-oriented person who fit in well with the work group. He was a well-rounded employee who made our working life at the Fire Department easier; and
- WHEREAS,** Firefighter Jenkins retired from the City’s employment on December 18, 2010. He provided over 30 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

***MICHAEL L. JENKINS***

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

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

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Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
JOHN FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by \_\_\_\_\_  
Patrick Q. Sullivan, Assistant City Attorney

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk