RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING

South San Francisco Fire Chief

PHILIP D. WHITE

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2013, Philip D. White will retire as Fire Chief of the South San Francisco Fire Department with over thirty years of service; and began his career with South San Francisco as a Paramedic/Firefighter on February 14, 1983, and thereafter was promoted to Fire Captain (1992), Provisional Battalion Chief (1999), Battalion Chief (1999), Deputy Chief (2002) and, finally, to Fire Chief (2003-2013); and

WHEREAS, Chief White has earned numerous accolades and awards throughout his career, including 1992 Firefighter of the Year by South San Francisco Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the 2001 Service Award from the Peninsula Council of Lions Clubs, the 2003 City of South San Francisco Employee of the Year and many others; and

WHEREAS, Chief White has contributed to the betterment, safety and maintenance of peace in South San Francisco by introducing numerous initiatives and ordinances, including enhanced Community Emergency Response Team programs for adults and teens, an updated fire code requiring new buildings to be equipped with sprinkler systems, and establishment of a Community Development and Preservation Task Force to address Municipal Code Enforcement issues; and

WHEREAS, Chief White's career embodies the meaning of community service, and he has worked on several San Mateo County sub-committees reviewing pre-hospital care issues at the advanced life support level, and was instrumental in the creation of the Community Outreach Program and the Annual Jazz by the Bay Event, which helps fund several programs, including the purchase of school supplies for South San Francisco youth, and a College Scholarship awarded at the Annual Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Awards Luncheon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, on April 30, 2013, hereby commends Fire Chief Philip D. White upon his retirement after thirty years of service with the South San Francisco Fire Department.

SUPERVISORS:

DON HORSLEY, President

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