

COMMENDING
SOUTHERN MARIN FIRE CHIEF ROBERT L. “MIKE” STONE
FOR OVER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE TAMALPAIS FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT AND THE SOUTHERN MARIN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Chief Robert L. “Mike” Stone began his firefighting career with the Tamalpais Fire Protection District on March 16, 1975. During the joint powers agreement with the Mill Valley Fire Department and the Tamalpais Fire Protection District he progressed from Firefighter to Captain to Fire Marshal to Battalion Chief from 1987 through 1991. When the joint powers agreement dissolved in 1994, Mike was promoted to Deputy Chief of the Tamalpais Fire Protection District, and when the Tamalpais Fire Protection District consolidated with the Alto Richardson Bay Fire Protection District in 1994 to become the Southern Marin Fire Protection District, Mike continued as Deputy Chief. On December 21, 2001, Mike became the Fire Chief of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, during the course of his illustrious career in the fire service, Mike has been both well-known and well-respected, and has been a valuable partner in all avenues of public service throughout both Marin and Sonoma Counties, and has given tirelessly of his time and resources to benefit all. Mike is beloved by the members of his department, a friend, much more than a boss. Due to the leadership that Mike has provided, the members of all the agencies where Mike has served have viewed their employment more as a family than a job; and

WHEREAS, Mike’s dedication to promoting and improving all avenues of public safety have made the Southern Marin Fire Protection District an outstanding agency and one to emulate; and

WHEREAS, through Mike's dedication, efforts, and foresight, a contract for fire services with the City of Sausalito Fire Department is expected to be complete in April of 2006 and will provide one more step toward the unification of services in southern Marin; and

WHEREAS, Mike's faith and support of his employees has allowed individuals within the District to excel and exercise their individual talents to the betterment of administration, operations, and all areas within the department; and

WHEREAS, Mike has, during the course of over 30 years of tireless service to the District, also been a loving husband and father.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marin County Board of Supervisors wish to both honor and thank Chief Robert L. “Mike” Stone for thirty plus years of service to the Southern Marin Fire District and the Tamalpais Fire Protection District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 7th day of February 2006, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS Charles McGlashan, Harold C. Brown, Jr., Steve Kinsey,
Cynthia L. Murray, Susan L. Adams

NOES: SUPERVISORS None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS None

Harold C. Brown, Jr. – Supervisor, District 2

Charles McGlashan – Supervisor, District 3

Susan L. Adams – President

Clerk