



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Mark McCormick has unwaveringly served the citizens of the City of Santa Rosa for the past 22 years with dedication to fire and life safety; and

WHEREAS, Chief McCormick began his service in Santa Rosa in 1991 as Fire Inspector, and he was subsequently promoted to Fire Fighter, Captain, Fire Marshal - Deputy Fire Chief, and Fire Chief. During his active firefighting duty he served on the City's Hazardous Materials Response Team and held a leadership role with IAFF Local 1401 for ten years; and

WHEREAS, Chief McCormick began his fire service career 35 years ago in the US Air Force and later served with the City of Corona and Orange County Fire Departments. He was certified as an Executive Fire Officer with graduation from the US National Fire Academy in Maryland and additionally holds a Bachelor's Degree in Occupational Studies from California State University – Long Beach. He has represented the City of Santa Rosa Fire Department with the California Fire Chiefs Association, Sonoma County Fire Chiefs Association, and was a Board Member of the Redwood Empire Dispatch Communications Authority (REDCOM) JPA; and

WHEREAS, Chief McCormick was instrumental in implementing the use of Mechanical Chest Compression System Devices to improve cardiac survival; securing \$3 million in grant funds for hiring 12 Fire Fighters to allow the City to restore full operation and improve emergency response times, improving communication and strategic planning within the Department; developing and implementing a formal program for fire station maintenance and improvements; developing plans for construction of a new fire station to improve service accessibility and establishing an emergency equipment replacement fund program. Additionally, he participated in the National Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survivals Program to monitor and track survival data to assist in improving patient outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Chief McCormick has always served the public interest with his insight, recommendations and decision making, exhibiting the strongest ethical standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Scott P. Bartley, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby recognize and thank

MARK McCORMICK

for his dedication, knowledge, leadership, guidance, and loyalty exhibited in providing for the health and safety of the public within this fine City. Mark McCormick will be greatly missed by the City Council, City Management, and City Staff, all of who wish him a happy and fulfilling retirement.



Mayor Scott P. Bartley
December 10, 2013