

**OCTOBER 22, 2012 IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION
RECOGNIZING FIRE CHIEF PETER N. POE FOR OVER 39 YEARS
OF OUTSTANDING FIRE SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the many years of valuable and dedicated service provided by Fire Chief Peter N. Poe; and

WHEREAS, Peter began his career as a volunteer Firefighter in February 1973 and received fulltime permanent status in July of 1975; and

WHEREAS, he promoted to Engineer in January 1978 and to Captain in June of 1979. Peter held the rank of Fire Captain for 13 years before accepting the position of Fire Chief at Lake Almanor West CSA in July 1992; and

WHEREAS, in 1992 with strong support from the Fire District, Peter accepted an appointment to Division Chief for the newly consolidated North Tahoe Fire Protection District (NTFPD); and

WHEREAS, as Division Chief for NTFPD, Peter was responsible for training, safety and facilities; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his excellent leadership, Peter eventually became the first ever Assistant Fire Chief in charge of operations for NTFPD; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2012, Peter N. Poe was promoted to Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, Peter retired with 39.5 years in the fire service of which 38.5 years were served with the North Tahoe Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, over the span of his long and distinguished career Peter received countless State and Federal certifications and qualifications most notably Company and Chief Officer, incident qualifications as Field Observer, Strike Team Leader (engine), Division/Group Supervisor, Type 2 Incident Safety Officer and Operations Section Chief; and

WHEREAS, Peter distinguished himself in many areas of the fire service as a Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, DMV Employee Testing Agent, Manager of the District's Injury and Illness Protection Plan, attaining two field save awards as an Emergency Medical Technician, as the Eastern Placer County Joint Powers Authority representative on the Sierra College Fire Technology Advisory Committee, for implementing the District's training study which included the development and implementation of the Career Development Guide, Officer Development, 2-in 2-out Program and the Training Committee; and

WHEREAS, with the solid support of his wife Bonnie and their family, Peter selflessly provided 24-7-365 routine and Emergency Chief Officer coverage including after-hours and weekend training drills at North Tahoe and Alpine Meadows resulting in thousands of dollars being saved by the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN, that the Placer County Board of Supervisors congratulates Chief Peter N. Poe on his retirement with gratitude for his 39.5 years of service and dedication to his community, his county, and his profession.

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