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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL THANKING FIRE CHIEF MARC MCGINN FOR HIS 33 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, Marc McGinn started his career with the City of Albany Fire Department August 1, 1978, as a Hoseman and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) ‘and

WHEREAS, Marc McGinn was promoted to Fire Captain on April 1, 1982 and appointed to Acting Fire Chief on December 8, 1992 and appointed permanent Fire Chief April 12, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Marc McGinn during his employment with the Albany Fire Department was instrumental in:

- Adopting the NFPA 1, The National Fire Protection Association, Fire Prevention Code establishing Albany as the first and only City to ever adopt the Code.
- Adopting a Commercial and Residential Fire Sprinkler and Alarm Ordinance, in 1996.
- Initiated the voter approved ballot measure “Paramedic Fire Engines”, November, 2000.
- **WHEREAS**, Marc McGinn is passionate about the importance of prevention efforts in fire service, and has worked with commercial, residential and institutional property owners to invest in life safety improvements, at times resulting in their return to thank him for their realization of the how those investments paid off; and

WHEREAS, in 2010 Marc McGinn put the Albany Fire Department on the map when he recommended a City Ordinance adopted by the City Council requiring the use of Photoelectric smoke detectors because they are more effective in detecting the kinds of fires that destroy homes and kill people; and

1 **WHEREAS**, in May, 2011, Marc McGinn is traveling to Australia to visit the
2 World Fire Safety Foundation and help spread the word about the importance of
3 changing to photoelectric smoke detectors; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Marc McGinn graduated from Chico State and Sacramento State
5 and was the Captain of the Cabrillo College football team; and

6 **WHEREAS**, football has played a big part in Marc’s life and has volunteered as
7 a football coach at Oakland Tech in 1989-1994 and Campolindo High School in 1996-
8 2010; and

9 **WHEREAS** Marc McGinn also volunteers at Elm Street Mission in Santa Cruz
10 where he takes high school youth from Boulder Creek Community Church to help feed
11 the homeless; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Marc McGinn has two sons, Garrett, 27 who has just completed his
13 Masters in International Relations and Jordan, 21, who has just been accepted at U.C.
14 Santa Barbara to study Sociology,

15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Albany City Council thank
16 Marc McGinn for all his dedicated service to the Albany Fire Department and the
17 residents of Albany and wish him the best, as he continues his journey and on to the next
18 chapter of his life – Retirement.

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