

A PROCLAMATION HONORING
*Al Dessayer for his 47 Years of Service
to the Town of Moraga*

WHEREAS, Al Dessayer and his wife, Alice, moved to the Town of Moraga in 1972 to raise their three children, Janet, Kathryn and Jeff, who attended the local schools. Al gave selflessly to the community and was involved throughout the years as a coach for LMYA, President of the PTA, Boy Scout leader, President of the Miramonte Boosters Club, member of the Friends of Moraga Library and Moraga Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, Al graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1961 with a degree in Engineering and retired from the Navy, going on to work for PacBell as a Financial Manager, retiring in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Al was active in Moraga's incorporation efforts and began his service to the Town in 1974 when he served as the Town's first Treasurer. Al also served as a Planning Commissioner from 1980 – 1981; and

WHEREAS, Al was elected to the Town Council in 1982 and served in this capacity for twelve years, including serving as Mayor in 1985, 1988 and 1993. One of Al's many accomplishments includes identifying the opportunity for the Town to purchase the excess State land when Caltrans' plan to create Gateway Boulevard through Moraga was thwarted. This vision resulted in the creation of the Commons Park, a centerpiece and main gathering place in Moraga, and the Town's acquisition of the land which is now the back nine holes at Moraga Country Club; and

WHEREAS, Al began his service on the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority (County Connection) Board of Directors in 1986 and has continuously represented the Town for 34 years. Al served the community with an unwavering commitment to ensuring public transportation was available for Moragans and a financial acumen and prudence that assisted the Board in making difficult decisions and planning for the future; and

WHEREAS, Al has a reputation for fiscal conservatism which he balanced with community service and has always been generous in providing opinions and historical information to Town Councilmembers and other community leaders. He is widely respected for his integrity and honesty.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mike McCluer, Mayor of the Town of Moraga, along with my fellow Councilmembers, do hereby commend Al Dessayer for his contributions and volunteer service and thank Al for his leadership, professionalism, commitment to excellence and generosity in giving to the community in a myriad of ways for 47 years and wish him a full recovery.



Mike McCluer, Mayor