Resolution of Commendation Posthumously Commending John Jenkins February 26, 1931 - July 9, 2016

- WHEREAS, John began his remarkable 51-year career with the City of Garden Grove on October 11, 1962 in the newly-formed Recreation Division, becoming one of the first recreation leaders in the Community Services Department, earning \$2 an hour; and
- WHEREAS, With a respected work history from the Garden Grove Unified School District as a physical education teacher at Jordan Middle School, John transitioned not only his knowledge and skills to the City, but also his passion and commitment to serving residents and mentoring youth; and
- WHEREAS, Working in almost every capacity within the Community Services Department, ranging from scorekeeper to delivery person, John found his niche in the adult softball program, serving primarily as the on-site field supervisor for the last 15 years of his City career; and
- WHEREAS, A man of compelling integrity, selflessness, and dedication to hard work, John found fulfillment in being a positive and uplifting mentor, always going out of his way to make people feel special, and fondly remembered by the generations he touched as PE teacher, "Mr. Jenkins"; and
- WHEREAS, On September 25, 2013, John Jenkins retired from the City of Garden Grove, with all the honors deserving of an incredible 51 years of esteemed service to the community, with plans to spend his retirement years alongside his wife LuJean, in company of his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren; and
- WHEREAS, On July 9, 2016, John Jenkins found his eternal resting place among the many fond memories of the times, places, and people he left behind in his most beloved community of Garden Grove.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garden Grove pays homage to one of its own, who served this community with the utmost sense of dignity, pride, and care until his passing. The City of Garden Grove and the Garden Grove community will forever be in his debt, and will venerably continue to honor the memory of John Jenkins as a selfless individual, respected colleague, and treasured friend.

August 9, 2016

Bao Nguyen Mayor

Steven R. Jones Mayor Pro Tem Phat Bui Council Member