

Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING NOVEMBER 15, 2002 AS

GINGER AND WILLIAM E. PRICE DAY

ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County that on November 15, 2002 GINGER and WILLIAM E. PRICE will be celebrating 65 years of marriage; and

WHEREAS, GINGER, who was born in Pennsylvania and traveled to the West as a young girl when her mother was the cook on a cattle drive, and WILLIAM (known as BILL to family and friends), who was born in Everett, Washington met and fell in love in high school in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, GINGER and WILLIAM married after completing high school and had a daughter, Patty, in 1938 and a son, Willie, in 1940 while BILL worked first in the hotel business and then in the Seattle-Tacoma shipyards, where as a member of Boilermakers Local 104, he was elected Chair of Joint Stewards and later appointed Assistant Business Agent; and

WHEREAS, GINGER and WILLIAM were separated during World War II when BILL enlisted in the Navy and served in the North China Sea as one of the Navy's first Radar Operators and discharged as Radarman Third Class; and

WHEREAS, when GINGER and WILLIAM were reunited after the war, they moved to San Francisco where BILL ran his father's grocery store (the Princess Pat) on Oak Street for a couple of years, was a salesman for the RIDD Drug Company and then worked 20+ years for Herman's Market on Bush and Franklin and GINGER started working at the White House Department Store then switched to the Emporium where she worked until retirement, while the family lived on 25th Avenue and Clement Street with GINGER's mother who worked at the Fairmont Hotel; and

WHEREAS, in 1947, BILL joined the Retail Clerks Local 648, in the early 1960s was elected to the Executive Board, served as Vice President and as a local and international Organizer and finally in 1968 was elected Business Agent, serving the Drug Division and Grocery clerks of U.F.C.W. Local 648, until his retirement; and


WHEREAS, GINGER and WILLIAM moved to South San Francisco in San Mateo County in 1953 and finished raising their two children in that house and have welcomed their five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren there; and

WHEREAS, GINGER and WILLIAM have remained extremely active since their retirement, often traveling and actively working to better the lives of seniors with BILL becoming Senator Barbara Boxer's designated delegate to the White House Conference on Aging in 1995, the California Congressional District 12 representative to the "National Silver Haired Congress," President of the Board of the San Francisco Senior Action Network and fully involved in many retired Union workers programs, among other activities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors that November 15, 2002, is hereby designated as GINGER and WILLIAM E. PRICE Day on the occasion of their 65th Wedding Anniversary and they extend the very best wishes for health and happiness in the years to come.

DATED: November 15, 2002

SUPERVISORS:


JERRY GILL, PRESIDENT