

# Resolution

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING

## CHIEF ANDREW STARK

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WHEREAS, Chief Andrew Stark began his 36-year career in fire protection in 1968 after completing a Bachelors Degree in Vocational Education from California State University Long Beach and an Associate of Arts Degree from Chabot College, and;

WHEREAS, Chief Andrew Stark rose to the rank of Assistant Fire Chief-Operations in Oakland before assuming the role of Fire Chief of the City of South San Francisco in 1992 and then beginning his service as Fire Chief for the City of Pacifica in 1997, and;

WHEREAS, Chief Andrew Stark served on the Governor's Office of Emergency Services Urban Search and Rescue Advisory Committee and participated in the development of the state and federal USAR programs, and;

WHEREAS, in 1999, Chief Andrew Stark was selected to receive the League of California Cities prestigious Helen Putnam Award for excellence and received honorable mention again in 2000 for this award, and;

WHEREAS, beginning in 2000, Chief Andrew Stark provided management services as Fire Chief of the City of Brisbane and worked to merge administration of the Brisbane and Pacifica departments to create the North County Fire Authority effective July 1, 2001, and;

WHEREAS, Chief Andrew Stark's career highlights include command roles during the Loma Prieta Earthquake, Oakland Hills Fire and El Nino of 1998; publication of technical papers for the National Fire Protection and the American Public Works Associations and speaking engagements at professional organizations across the United States, and;

WHEREAS, for 11 years Chief Andrew Stark has represented the Fire Chief's Association as a member of the San Mateo County Emergency Medical Care Committee, has chaired the San Mateo County Fire Chiefs EMS Sub-Committee, and has served on the faculty of FEMA's Emergency Management Institute as an instructor for the Integrated Emergency Management Course;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County recognizes and commends Chief Andrew Stark for his years of dedicated service and leadership, and extend their warmest wishes for his continued success upon retirement.

DATED: July 16th, 2004

SUPERVISORS:



