

Honoring

FRANCES A. ARNESON

On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Frances A. Arneson, Information Systems Technician Supervisor II in Headquarters' Technology Services Division, retired on July 30, 2004, after more than twenty-nine years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Frances began her career with the State of California in 1974 as a Key Data Operator Trainee emergency appointment at the Employment Development Department, and became a Key Data Operator at the State Board of Equalization in January 1975; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, earning appointments to Clerk II, Office Assistant II, and Key Data Operator Supervisor I, II, and III in the Administration Department; and

WHEREAS, after ably serving as a Supervisor III, Frances promoted to Information Systems Technician Supervisor I and Specialist II in the Technology Services Division; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her historical technical knowledge of the Board applications, problem-solving skills, customer service, and ability to motivate others, Frances promoted to Information Systems Technician Supervisor II in July 1999; and

WHEREAS, during this time, Frances has played a major role in the successful implementation of the Board's Integrated Revenue Information System (IRIS) and the Revenue Database Consolidation Project within the Data Management Services Unit of the Technology Services Division; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Frances has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Frances A. Arneson our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring

DOROTHY R. BLANKENSHIP

On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Dorothy R. Blankenship, Executive Secretary I in Headquarters' Assessment Policy and Standards Division, Property and Special Taxes Department, will retire on October 22, 2004, after twenty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy began her career with the Franchise Tax Board as an Office Assistant (Typing) and, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, transferred to the Board of Equalization in 1993 and worked in various positions, promoting to Executive Secretary I to the Deputy Director, Special Taxes Department in 1999 and transferring to the consolidated Property and Special Taxes Department in 2002; and

WHEREAS, because she performed her duties throughout her career in a conscientious and responsible manner, her co-workers will miss her dedication and team spirit: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Dorothy R. Blankenship our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
ROBERT H. BLUMER

On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Robert H. Blumer, Associate Tax Auditor in the Torrance District Office, retired on August 20, 2004, after twenty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Robert began his career with the Board as an Auditor I and, through diligent effort and dedication to the Board, advanced through the ranks to this present position; and

WHEREAS, he has performed his duties throughout his service to the Board in a conscientious and responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, Robert has consistently responded with ingenuity, imagination, and foresight to the duties and responsibilities given him, fulfilling them with outstanding accuracy and competency; and

WHEREAS, he has set an example of dedication to principle, which has been an inspiration to his fellow employees; and

WHEREAS, Robert, in all his endeavors, has reflected great credit upon the Board and the Sales and Use Tax Department: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Robert H. Blumer our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
DOROTHY M. DUNLAP

On Her Retirement

***WHEREAS**, Dorothy M. Dunlap, Office Technician (T) in the West Covina District Office, will retire on September 30, 2004, after more than thirty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Dorothy began her career with the Board of Equalization on January 17, 1966, as an Intermediate Typist Clerk in the Los Angeles District (District 1); and*

***WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to Intermediate Stenographer on May 5, 1966; and*

***WHEREAS**, Dorothy continued to progress, first as Stenographer II in the same office in October 1967 and later as Senior Stenographer in July 1968; and*

***WHEREAS**, she transferred to the West Los Angeles Office in July 1972 and then accepted a transfer to the Pasadena District Office in July 1974 where she rose to the rank of Secretary on October 1, 1977; and*

***WHEREAS**, Dorothy worked briefly for Richard Nevins, Board Member Fourth District and returned to the position of Secretary to the District Principal Auditor in Pasadena, which was later relocated to Arcadia in 1982, then the City of Industry in 1994 before moving to its present site in West Covina in 2000; and*

***WHEREAS**, she voluntarily accepted an Office Technician (T) position in May 2002 under an Internal Restriction of Appointment process initiated by the Board to deal with the State's worsening fiscal situation; and*

***WHEREAS**, Dorothy has been one of the most congenial employees in the district, and her work has been consistently of the highest quality and widely appreciated by the supervisory and managerial staff throughout her career: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Dorothy M. Dunlap our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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Honoring
CINDY EATON
On Her Retirement

***WHEREAS**, Cindy Eaton, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in Headquarters' Fuel Taxes Division of the Property and Special Taxes Department, retired on July 21, 2004, after forty-one years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Cindy began her career in state service with the Department of Motor Vehicles in 1963, then worked for the Department of Conservation, the Department of Youth Authority, the Board of Equalization, and the Department of Education, returning to the Board of Equalization in 1978; and*

***WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, Cindy advanced to positions of increasing responsibility: Senior Stenographer, Office Services Supervisor II, Executive Secretary, Business Taxes Representative, and Business Taxes Compliance Specialist, working in the Board's Administration, Property Taxes, Sales and Use Tax, and Property and Special Taxes Departments; and*

***WHEREAS**, during her tenure with the Board, Cindy served with distinction as a member of the State Merit Award Board, as a United California State Employee Key Campaigner, and as a U.S. Savings Bond Assistant Campaign Chair; and*

***WHEREAS**, Cindy's knowledge, dedication, and expertise in the Board's collection process have been drawn upon over the years, and her hard work and strong work ethic contributed to the mission and goals of the State Board of Equalization, dedication and team spirit will be greatly missed by her co-workers: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Cindy Eaton our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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Honoring

WILLIAM J. FAIOLA

On His Retirement

WHEREAS, William J. Faiola, Supervising Tax Auditor II in Headquarters' Audit and Information Section, Sales and Use Tax Department, will retire on December 30, 2004, after thirty-two years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, William began his career with the Board of Equalization on May 22, 1972, as a Tax Auditor in the West Los Angeles District Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Tax Auditor II on May 22, 1973, and, after ably serving the West Los Angeles and Sepulveda District Offices, advanced to Tax Auditor III on August 1, 1976, and Tax Auditor IV on July 1, 1980; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, William was appointed to Supervising Tax Auditor I on August 2, 1983, supervising an audit staff in the Van Nuys District Office, then on November 1, 1992, went on to become a Supervising Tax Auditor II in the Appeals Review Section; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, William has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to William J. Faiola our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring

DARLENE RENEE JOHNSON

On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Darlene Renee Johnson, Business Taxes Representative in Headquarters' Return Analysis Section, will retire on December 30, 2004, after more than thirty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Darlene began her career with the state in July 1974 as a Clerk Typist II, range B, in the Department of Rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, in June 1978, she was promoted to Office Services Supervisor I in the Department of Rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Darlene accepted a position with the Board of Equalization as a Tax Technician III, formerly known as Program Technician III, in the Return Review Unit, which later became the Return Analysis Section, of the Sales and Use Tax Department; and

WHEREAS, in July 2002, Darlene was promoted to Business Taxes Representative in the Return Analysis Section; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Darlene has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication; has earned the respect and admiration of management and co-workers for her knowledge, efficiency, and humor; and will be missed by all:
Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Darlene Renee Johnson our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
Gerald F. Kelleher
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, *Gerald F. Kelleher, Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor in Headquarters' Return Analysis Section, will retire on September 30, 2004, after more than thirty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Gerald began his career with the state in January 1974 as an Account Clerk II, in the Cashiers Unit and in December 1975, was promoted to Senior Account Clerk; and*

WHEREAS, *he accepted a promotion in 1978 with the Central Files Unit as an Office Services Supervisor and in October 1980, was promoted to a Business Taxes Representative in the Return Review Unit, now known as the Return Analysis Section; and*

WHEREAS, *Gerald accepted a position with the Collections Section and in April 1992, was promoted to Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II in the Return Analysis Section; and*

WHEREAS, *in August 1999, Gerald was promoted to a Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II in the Return Analysis Section; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout his many years of service, Gerald has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication. Further, he has earned the respect and admiration of management and co-workers for his knowledge, efficiency, and humor. Gerald will be missed by all: Therefore be it*

RESOLVED, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gerald F. Kelleher our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
CAROL JEANNE LYMATH

On Her Retirement

***WHEREAS**, Carol Jeanne Lymath, Tax Technician III in Headquarters' Return Analysis Section, will retire on August 31, 2004, after more than seventeen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Carol began her career with the state in March 1987 as an Office Assistant I at the California Pollution Control Financing Authority, where she received a promotion to Office Assistant II; and*

***WHEREAS**, in September 1989, Carol accepted a position with the Office of Criminal Justice Planning as an Office Assistant II and in November 1989 was promoted to Office Technician in the Legal Division, State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, in April 1992, she moved to the Board Proceedings Division and in November 1995 Carol was promoted to Tax Technician II in the Customer and Taxpayer Services Section; and*

***WHEREAS**, in November 1999, Carol was promoted to Tax Technician III in the Account Analysis Section and in October 2002 moved to the Return Analysis Section; and*

***WHEREAS**, throughout her many years of service, Carol has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication. Further, she has earned the respect and admiration of management and co-workers for her knowledge, efficiency, and humor. Carol will be missed by all: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Carol Jeanne Lymath our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring

PHILIP L. MOSIER

On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Philip L. Mosier, Staff Programmer Analyst (Specialist) in Headquarters' Desktop Applications Unit of the Technology Services Division, will retire on November 1, 2004, after twenty-two years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Philip began his career with the Board of Equalization on November 13, 1984, as a Computer Operator in the Operations Unit; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to Information Systems Technician and, after ably serving the Operations Unit, moving to the Applications Development Section, where he advanced to Programmer I, Programmer II, and Associate Programmer Analyst (Specialist); and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to Staff Programmer Analyst in April 2001; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Philip has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Philip L. Mosier our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
ROBERT PALMER, JR.

On His Retirement

***WHEREAS**, Robert Palmer, Jr., Tax Technician III, formerly of Headquarters' Petitions Section, Sales and Use Tax Department, retired on December 30, 2001, after twenty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Robert began his career with the Board of Equalization on March 27, 1978, as a Key Data Operator in the Key Data Entry Unit, Sacramento Office; and*

***WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to Account Clerk II on November 30, 1979, in the Control Unit and, after ably serving the Information Management Services Division, Sacramento Headquarters' Office, promoting to Program Technician I, Business Taxes, on September 1, 1988, in the Special Taxes Division; and*

***WHEREAS**, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, Robert was appointed to Tax Technician III on July 1, 1993; and*

***WHEREAS**, throughout his many years of service, Robert has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Robert Palmer, Jr. our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
NANU K. PATEL
On His Retirement

***WHEREAS**, Nanu K. Patel, Staff Programmer Analyst in Headquarters' Technology Services Division, will retire on August 30, 2004, after more than twenty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Nanu began his career with the Board of Equalization on July 23, 1984, as a Programmer II in the Information Management Division; and*

***WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to Associate Programmer Analyst and, after ably serving the Accounts Receivable and Security Unit, moved to the Excise Taxes Information System Unit, advancing to Staff Programmer Analyst; and*

***WHEREAS**, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, Nanu was appointed to Staff Programmer Analyst within the Automated Compliance Management System Support Unit in February 2000; and*

***WHEREAS**, throughout Nanu's career with the Board, in recognition of his outstanding problem solving skills, Nanu was asked to undertake some of the most complex assignments—including the translation of mainframe assembly language programs to COBOL and the construction of interest calculation routines; and*

***WHEREAS**, throughout his many years of service, Nanu has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Nanu K. Patel our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
BRENDA J. RICHARDSON
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, *Brenda J. Richardson, Tax Auditor in the West Covina District Office, will retire on September 1, 2004, after more than thirty-six years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Brenda began her career with the State Department of Employment on November 13, 1967, as a Stenographer and transferred to the Board of Equalization on July 1, 1968; and*

WHEREAS, *as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, earning appointment to Student Assistant-Audit on May 31, 1977, in the Covina-Foothills District Office; and*

WHEREAS, *Brenda successfully participated in the Upward Mobility Program for one year, resulting in her appointment to Tax Auditor II on February 1, 1979; and*

WHEREAS, *she ably served in the Covina Branch Office, which later consolidated with the Arcadia District Office to become the Industry District Office in December 1994, and then relocated to West Covina in July 2000; and*

WHEREAS, *Brenda successfully participated on the Women's Advisory Committee for several years beginning in 1985, providing ideas and suggestions for improving training and career opportunities for other women within the Board and served as the Taxpayer Educational Consultant for the area served by the West Covina District Office during 2004; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout her many years of service, Brenda has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

RESOLVED, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Brenda J. Richardson our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring

ROBERT L. RIFFLE

On His Retirement

WHEREAS, *Robert L. Riffle, Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor in Headquarters' Return Analysis Section, will retire on October 20, 2004, after more than thirty-one years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Robert began his career with the state in January 1973 as a Business Taxes Representative in the Sacramento District Office and in October 1976, was transferred to the Return Review Unit, now known as the Return Analysis Section; and*

WHEREAS, *Robert was promoted to a Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in January 1983 and in February 1985, accepted a promotion to Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II in the Return Analysis Section; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout his many years of service, Robert has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication; has earned the respect and admiration of management and co-workers for his knowledge, efficiency, and humor; and will be missed by all:
Therefore be it*

RESOLVED, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Robert L. Riffle our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
MARY E. SANER
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Mary E. Saner, Tax Technician III in Headquarters' Special Procedures Section, retired on May 10, 2004, after seventeen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Mary began her career on September 9, 1986, with the State Board of Equalization in the Audit Review and Refunds Section (now Audit Determination and Refund Section) as an Office Assistant I (G) and, on December 2, 1986, was promoted to Office Assistant II (G); and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1989, Mary was promoted to Program Technician II (now Tax Technician II) in the Sacramento District Office; and

WHEREAS, on July 31, 1992, she was promoted to Program Technician III (now Tax Technician III) in the Collection Unit (now Special Procedures Section) from which she is retiring; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Mary has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Mary E. Saner our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
PAUL O. SMITH
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, *Paul O. Smith, Tax Counsel III (Specialist) in Headquarters' Appeals Division of the Legal Department, will retire on October 31, 2004, after more than fourteen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Paul received a Bachelor of Science degree in management, a Master of Business Administration in taxation from Golden Gate University, and a Juris Doctor from John F. Kennedy University; and*

WHEREAS, *Paul began his career with the Appeals Division of the Board of Equalization as a Tax Counsel in January 1990 after working twenty-four years in the tax field for several large private corporations including Safeway Stores, Levi Strauss, and Clorox; and*

WHEREAS, *in December 1996, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he was promoted to Tax Counsel III (Specialist); and*

WHEREAS, *Paul has earned the respect and admiration of management, co-workers, taxpayers, and their representatives because of his knowledge of the Sales and Use Tax Law, appeals procedures, his writing and analytical skills, and his professionalism; and*

WHEREAS, *after retirement, Paul has chosen to spend time with his family, especially his grandchildren, live for a while in Paris, settle in New Orleans (and set the record for the crawdad-eating contest!), and continue his involvement with his favorite charitable organizations: Therefore be it*

RESOLVED, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Paul O. Smith our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
ALAN J. STAGNER
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Alan J. Stagner, Business Taxes Administrator III in the Norwalk District Office, retired on July 16, 2004, after more than thirty-four years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Alan began his career with the Board of Equalization on August 18, 1969, as a Tax Representative trainee in the Inglewood District Office and, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, earning appointment to Tax Representative, Senior Tax Representative, and Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II; and

WHEREAS, after ably serving the Inglewood District Office, he moved to the Torrance District Office on May 1, 1984, and was promoted to Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor III; and then moved to the Van Nuys District Office on May 29, 1987; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, Alan was appointed to Business Taxes Administrator III on July 31, 1991, and then transferred to the Norwalk District Office on June 14, 2004, until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Alan has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Alan J. Stagner our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of August 2004, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring

GWENDOLYN E. WALKLEY

On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn E. Walkley, Associate Business Management Analyst in Headquarters' Policy, Planning and Evaluation Division, Process and Special Project Section, retired on August 1, 2004, after twenty-four years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn began her career with the Board of Equalization on May 2, 2000, as an Associate Business Management Analyst in the Administrative Support Division, Processing and Facilities Management; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Nurse Evaluator II, with the Department of Health Services; and

WHEREAS, after ably serving the state as a Staff Services Analyst with the California Youth Authority, Gwendolyn advanced to Records Management Analyst I and II (Specialist), at the Department of General Services and later advanced to Integrated Waste Management Specialist and Associate Business Management Analyst with the California Integrated Waste Management Board before moving to the Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Gwendolyn has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gwendolyn E. Walkley our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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