

Honoring
Marge Foulds
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, *Marge Foulds, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Electronic Waste Recycling Fees Section of the Excise Taxes and Fees Division, will retire on December 30, 2005, after 26 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Marge began her career with the Board of Equalization on October 3, 1979, as an Office Assistant II-Typist in the Santa Ana Office; and*

WHEREAS, *as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, earning appointments to the positions of Program Technician I in May 1981, followed by advancements to Program Technician II and III; and*

WHEREAS, *Marge then joined the Consumer Use Tax Division in Headquarters, advancing to the position of Business Taxes Representative on January 1, 1993, and continuing to serve as a Business Taxes Representative in the Centralized Collections Section until December 2004; and*

WHEREAS, *in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in December 2004 in the Electronic Waste Recycling Fees Section of the Excise Taxes and Fees Division; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout her many years of service, Marge 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 Marge Foulds 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 thirteenth day of December 2005, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
Robert L. Reichmuth
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Robert (Bob) L. Reichmuth, District Administrator in the Santa Rosa District, will retire on December 2, 2005, after 33 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Bob began his career with the Board of Equalization on December 1, 1972, as a Tax Auditor I in the Santa Rosa District; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, Bob advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Tax Auditor II, then advancing to the positions of Tax Auditor III and Business Taxes Administrator I; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Bob's outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Tax Auditor IV on October 1, 1983, Supervising Tax Auditor II on April 1, 1988, and Business Taxes Administrator III on August 22, 1996, serving the Santa Rosa District until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Bob was Chair of the SUTD Field Operations Administrative Group for many years during which the annual process for submitting equipment and expense requests by the districts was streamlined so that all districts had the opportunity to purchase and replace needed equipment on a more timely basis; and

WHEREAS, Bob served on the SUTD field Operations Fiscal Group to ensure that the fiscal training class and the audit program used by the district offices to conduct their quarterly spot checks of district fiscal controls reflected the most current principles on "fiscal responsibility and accountability;" and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Bob 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 L. Reichmuth, 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
Lonn R. Stern
On His Retirement*

WHEREAS, Lonn R. Stern, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist, in the Sacramento District Office, will retire on October 31, 2005, after more than 30 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Lonn began his career with the Board of Equalization on December 3, 1973, as a Tax Representative in the West Los Angeles District Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he worked as a Business Taxes Representative in various offices throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Lonn's outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Compliance Specialist on May 1, 2002, ably serving the Sacramento District until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Lonn 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 Lonn R. Stern 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 thirteenth day of December 2005, by the State Board of Equalization.

*Honoring
Emma Kay Lucas
On Her Retirement*

WHEREAS, Emma Kay Lucas in the Audit and Information Section, Sales and Use Tax Department, will retire on December 27, 2005, after 23 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Emma began her career with the Board of Equalization on January 15, 1988, as a Tax Auditor, Range A, in the Van Nuys District office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, beginning with Tax Auditor, Range B after only six months; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Associate Tax Auditor on February 13, 1996, with the Revenue Allocation and Refunds Section, Sacramento; then on November 6, 2000 went on to become a Business Taxes Specialist I with the Planning, Evaluation and Technology Section, Sacramento; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Emma 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 Emma Kay Lucas 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
Donald A. Ainsworth
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Donald A. Ainsworth, Business Taxes Specialist I in the New York Area Office of the Out-of-State District, will retire on December 1, 2005, after 23 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Donald began his career with the Board of Equalization on September 27, 1982, as an Auditor I in the Hayward Branch Office of the Oakland District; 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; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he transferred to the New York Area Office and was appointed to the position of Tax Auditor III in October 1985 and to Business Taxes Specialist I in April 1998 ably serving the New York Area Office until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Donald 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 Donald A. Ainsworth, 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 thirteenth day of December 2005, by the State Board of Equalization.

*Honoring
Monte Williams
On His Retirement*

WHEREAS, Monte Williams will retire on November 28, 2005, after 29 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Monte began his career with the Board on June 14, 1976 as a Tax Auditor I in the Sacramento District Office, successfully working his way up to Tax Auditor IV in the Audit Evaluation and Planning Unit; and

WHEREAS, Monte was promoted to a Supervising Tax Auditor I in the Excise Taxes Unit on November 1, 1985, and to Supervising Tax Auditor II on August 31, 1989; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 1993, he was appointed Chief, Excise Taxes Division in the Special Taxes Department, which handled the administration and collection of seven different tax and fee programs; and

WHEREAS, on January 1, 1999, Monte was appointed as Chief of the Investigations Division, which was newly created to handle all criminal tax matters for the Special Taxes and Sales and Use Tax Departments; and

WHEREAS, in January of 2002, he was appointed Business Project Manager for the Revenue Database Consolidation Project (RDC), which added the functionality for all Special Tax and Fee programs to the Board's Integrated Revenue Information System; and

WHEREAS, his diplomacy, board knowledge and advanced negotiation skills were critical factors in the overwhelming success of the RDC project; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2003, Monte was appointed Business Project Manager for the Alternative Cigarette Tax Stamp project, wherein he was instrumental in the development and implementation of the new cigarette tax stamp and application machinery which replaced decades old technology; and

WHEREAS, the Board and his co-workers have greatly benefited from Monte's knowledge, experience, dedication, moral commitment and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Monte has many loyal friends at the Board of Equalization who will deeply miss him and his unending energy, helpfulness, and sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, after retirement Monte has chosen to relax, play golf and enjoy life with his lovely wife Alicia and his children Katie and Matt; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Monte Williams 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 Monte Williams 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 Monte and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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Honoring
Dennis P. Maciel
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Dennis P. Maciel, Chief of the Excise Taxes and Fees Division, will retire on December 30, 2005 after thirty-three years of dedicated service to the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Dennis began his career with the State of California at the Teachers Retirement System in January 1972. He transferred to the Board of Equalization in January 1975 and began working as a Tax Representative in the Sacramento District Office of the Sales and Use Tax Department. Subsequently, he promoted to positions of increasing responsibility, first as a Senior Tax Representative in July 1979, a Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in November 1982, a Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II in January 1984, a Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor III in May 1990, a Business Taxes Administrator II in February 1995, and since May 1999, he has brought credit to himself as Chief of the Excise Taxes and Fees Division; and

WHEREAS, during his long tenure with the Board, Dennis has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication. His knowledge, expertise and leadership abilities have been instrumental to the successful implementation of several new tax and fee programs administered by the Board. In particular, he demonstrated outstanding management skills by successfully leading the Excise Taxes and Fees Division through the challenge of implementing the provisions of Senate Bill 1701, which required replacement of the heat-applied cigarette tax stamps with a new stamp to thwart counterfeiting and increase cigarette tax revenue. His hard work and participation has significantly contributed to the mission and goals of the Board of Equalization. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Dennis P. Maciel our sincere appreciation for his highly esteemed service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his retirement, and our best wishes to him for a future filled with success, happiness, and good health.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this thirteenth day of December, by the State Board of Equalization.