

Honoring
SHIRLEY JOHNSON
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Shirley Johnson, Senior Information Systems Analyst in the Technology Services Division, will retire on May 15, 2009, after thirty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Shirley began her career with the Board of Equalization on February 4, 1974, as a Clerk Typist II; 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 Program Technician II; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Representative II in July 1979 and Senior Information Systems Analyst in August 1999; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Shirley 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 Shirley 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 for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted in Sacramento, California, this fifteenth day of April 2009, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
ROBERT J. STIPE
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Robert J. Stipe, Tax Counsel IV, in the Litigation Division, Legal Department, will retire on April 30, 2009, after thirty-four 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 of California on July 1, 1974, as a Staff Services Analyst with the Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to the positions of Associate Governmental Program Analyst in October 1975, Associate Management Analyst in May 1977, and Associate Governmental Program Analyst in May 1979; and

WHEREAS, Robert began his career with the State Board of Equalization as a Legal Counsel the Legal Department on August 1985, and in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Staff Counsel III, Specialist in December 1992, Tax Counsel III, Supervisor in May 1996, and Tax Counsel IV in February 2006; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, he has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication, and has proven his willingness and ability to provide quality and exceptional service, further, he has earned the respect and admiration of management and coworkers for his knowledge, friendliness, and wit, and he will be missed by all: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Robert J. Stipe 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 for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted in Sacramento, California, this fifteenth day of April 2009, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
ROBERT L. BUNTJER

On His Retirement

WHEREAS, *Robert (Bob) L. Buntjer, Administrator of the Return Analysis and Allocation Section, will retire on May 16, 2009, after thirty-five 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 State of California in June 1974, as a Tax Auditor in the Sacramento District Office of the Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he was appointed to the positions of Tax Auditor II, and Tax Auditor III, and after ably serving the Sacramento District Office, he moved to the Sacramento Headquarters Office advancing to the position of Tax Auditor IV, as the Audit Training Coordinator; and*

WHEREAS, *in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Supervising Tax Auditor I in the Petitions Section, Supervising Tax Auditor II in the Legal Department, Section Supervisor of the Auditor Review and Refund Section, and he promoted to Supervising Tax Auditor III; and*

WHEREAS, *in May 2006 Bob promoted to the position of Business Taxes Administrator III as Administrator of the Return Analysis and Allocation Section I in the Sales and Use Tax Department; 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. Buntjer 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 for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

Adopted in Sacramento, California, this fifteenth day of April 2009, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
THERESA CASTAÑEDA
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, *Theresa (Terré) Castañeda, Office Services Supervisor II in the Administration Department's Headquarters Reception Office, retired on April 8, 2009, after thirty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *Terré began her career with the State of California on February 1, 1976 as a Clerk Typist II in the Employment Development Department; and*

WHEREAS, *she transferred to the Department of Rehabilitation, and as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Office Assistant II, Case Service Assistant, and Office Technician; and*

WHEREAS, *after ably serving the Department of Rehabilitation, Terré transferred to the State Board of Equalization into the positions of Office Technician, Tax Technician II, and advancing to the position of Tax Technician III; and*

WHEREAS, *in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Office Services Supervisor II on September 1, 2006; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout her many years of service, Terré 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 Theresa Castañeda 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 in Sacramento, California, this fifteenth day of April 2009, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
JAMES K. TANG
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, *James K. Tang, Business Taxes Specialist I in the Norwalk Investigations Division Office, will retire on April 30, 2009, after thirty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

WHEREAS, *James began his career with the Board of Equalization on January 2, 1979, as an Auditor I, in the Hollywood 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 Auditor II with the West Covina District Sales and Use Tax Office, and Associate Tax Auditor with the Hollywood Sales and Use Tax Office; and*

WHEREAS, *in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he/ was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Specialist I in the Investigations Division on May 2, 2004; and*

WHEREAS, *throughout his many years of service, James 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 James K. Tang 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 for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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