

*Honoring*  
**MARIA SOCORRO L. CONCEPCION**  
*On Her Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, *Maria Socorro L. Concepcion, Business Taxes Representative in the Riverside District Office, will retire on May 31, 2008, after over thirty-two years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Maria began her career with the Board of Equalization on August 18, 1975, as a Clerk Typist in the Hollywood District Office; 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 Senior Clerk Typist on September 1, 1978; and*

**WHEREAS**, *after ably serving the Hollywood District Office, she moved to the Riverside District Office advancing to the position of Tax Technician II on April 23, 1990, then to the Rancho Mirage District Office where she accepted a Business Taxes Representative position on August 30, 2002; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, Maria returned to the Riverside District Office on June 13, 2005; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout her many years of service, Maria 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 Maria Socorro L. Concepcion 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-ninth day of May 2008, by the State Board of Equalization.*

*Honoring*  
**THOMAS A. GONZALES**  
*On His Retirement*

*WHEREAS, Thomas A. Gonzales, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Norwalk District Office, retired on December 9, 2007, after twenty-seven years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Thomas began his career with the Board of Equalization on November 3, 1980, as a Business Taxes Representative I 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 Business Taxes Representative II in July 1982, and Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in October 1993; and*

*WHEREAS, Thomas ably served in the Arcadia District Office, and the Downey District Office, which became the Norwalk District Office in 1994; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Thomas 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 Thomas A. Gonzales 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*  
**SHARON A. HAMILTON**  
*On Her Retirement*

*WHEREAS, Sharon A. Hamilton, Associate Tax Auditor in the Riverside District Office, retired on July 27, 2006, after more than eighteen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Sharon began her career with the Board of Equalization on July 1, 1988, as a Tax Auditor in the Riverside Branch Office; and*

*WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to a position of increasing responsibility, earning appointment to the position of Associate Tax Auditor on March 19, 1993; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Sharon 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 Sharon A. Hamilton 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  
**GALEN G. HARDIN**  
On His Retirement

*WHEREAS, Galen G. Hardin, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Riverside District Office, retired on October 14, 2006, after twenty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Galen began his career with the Board of Equalization on August 19, 1984, in the Arcadia 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 Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Santa Ana District Office in August 1989; and*

*WHEREAS, after ably serving the Santa Ana District Office he moved to the Riverside District Office in September 1993; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Galen 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 Galen G. Hardin 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*  
**LORETTA R. LOPEZ**  
*On Her Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, *Loretta R. Lopez, Business Taxes Representative in the West Covina District Office, retired on December 20, 2007, after almost sixteen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Loretta began her career with the Board of Equalization on June 1, 1992, as a Business Taxes Representative, Range A, in the Culver City District Office; and*

**WHEREAS**, *as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she was promoted to Range B within six months, and Range C on January 1, 1994; and*

**WHEREAS**, *after ably serving the Culver City District Office, she moved to the Arcadia District Office, now known as the West Covina District Office on March 5, 1994; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Loretta participated in several on campus recruitment events on behalf of the Board of Equalization, she provided assistance at the Cal Gold Permit Assistance Center in downtown Los Angeles, and added to the generally high office morale through her involvement in many fund raising events leading up to the annual holiday party; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout her many years of service, Loretta 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 Loretta R. Lopez 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  
**MABEL MAR**  
On Her Retirement

**WHEREAS**, Mabel Mar, Tax Technician II in the San Francisco District Office, will retire on April 30, 2008, after twenty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Mabel began her career with the Department of Insurance as an Office Assistant on January 4, 1988, and she transferred to the Department of Transportation on May 2, 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, after ably serving the Department of Transportation she moved to the State Board of Equalization where she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Office Technician, Typing, on May 31, 1990 with the San Mateo Branch Office on; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she returned to the Department of Transportation on July 1, 1990, the Board of Equalization in the San Mateo Branch Office on January 1, 1991, and she took a lateral transfer to Tax Technician II in the San Francisco District Office on November 25, 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout her many years of service, Mabel 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 Mabel Mar 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  
**MARCO W. MORALES**  
On His Retirement

**WHEREAS**, Marco W. Morales, Associate Tax Auditor in the Norwalk District Office, will retire on March 31, 2008, after more than thirty-five years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Marco began his career with the Board of Equalization in December 1973 after demonstrating that he could ably perform audits of the smaller businesses during his first year; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability in conducting audits of larger businesses, he was promoted to Associate Tax Auditor on May 1, 1990 in the Downey District Office, which became the Norwalk District Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Marco's work was consistently of the highest quality and widely appreciated by the supervisory and managerial staff throughout his career; the district offices where he worked received numerous letters through the years and from taxpayers commending his knowledge and professionalism; and

**WHEREAS**, he, 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 Marco W. Morales 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  
**LARRY D. RACKLEY**  
*On His Retirement*

*WHEREAS, Larry D. Rackley, Staff Information Systems Analyst, Specialist, in the Culver City District Office, retired on December 28, 2007, after more than thirty-five years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Larry began his career with the Board of Equalization 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, Larry 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, he, 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 Larry D. Rackley 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  
**SPENCER B. STALLINGS, JR.**  
On His Retirement

*WHEREAS, Spencer B. Stallings, Jr., Supervising Tax Auditor I in the Bakersfield Branch Office, retired on December 29, 2007, after thirty-seven years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Spencer began his career with the Board of Equalization on July 1, 1970, as a Tax Auditor I in the Bakersfield Branch; 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 Tax Auditor III; and*

*WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Supervising Tax Auditor I on May 1, 1987, serving the Bakersfield Branch Office until his retirement; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Spencer 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 Spencer B. Stallings, 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.*

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Honoring  
**PATTY TAYLOR**  
On Her Retirement

*WHEREAS, Patty Taylor, Data Processing Manager II in the Technology Services Division, will retire on April 30, 2008, after thirty-four years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

*WHEREAS, Patty began her career with the Department of Social Services on November 1, 1973, 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 Senior Word Processing Technician at the Energy Commission, and Associate Personnel Analyst at the Department of Conservation, and later the Health and Welfare Data Center; and*

*WHEREAS, after ably serving the Health and Welfare Data Center, she moved to the Board of Equalization, advancing to the positions of Staff Services Manager I, and Staff Services Manager II; and*

*WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Data Processing Manager II on February 1, 2005; and*

*WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Patty 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 Patty Taylor 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  
**VICTORIA T. WINTER**  
*On Her Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, *Victoria T. Winter, Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor III, District Principal Compliance Supervisor, in the San Francisco District Office, will retire on June 18, 2008, after more than twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Victoria began her career with the Board of Equalization on October 9, 1979, as an Business Taxes Representative I in the San Mateo Branch Office; 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 Business Taxes Representative II in 1981, and after ably serving the San Mateo Branch Office, she moved to the San Francisco District Office in 1984, where she advanced to the position of Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II in 1985; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor III on May 3, 1993; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout her many years of service, Victoria 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 Victoria T. Winter 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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