

Honoring
LARRY FOGERSON
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Larry Fogerson, Senior Forest Property Appraiser in the Timber Tax Section, County-Assessed Properties Division, Property and Special Taxes Department, will retire on December 17, 2007, after more than 33 years of outstanding service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, after graduating with a degree in Forest Management from Humboldt State University, Larry became a Registered Professional Forester and joined the Board of Equalization as a College Graduate Trainee in 1974; 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 Assistant Forest Property Appraiser in 1975, to Associate Forest Property Appraiser in 1976, and to Senior Forest Property Appraiser in 2001; and

WHEREAS, the respect Larry has earned throughout the timber industry and the property tax assessment community, his integrity, and his outstanding service to the people of California attest to the high level of his ability and his dedication to serving the people of this state: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Larry Fogerson our sincere 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 at Sacramento, California, this twelfth day of December 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
GEORGE T. ITO
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, George T. Ito, Supervising Tax Auditor I in the Culver City District Office, will retire on December 28, 2007 after more than 35 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, George 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, George has consistently responded with ingenuity, imagination and foresight to the duties and responsibilities given to 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 up on the Board and the Sales and Use Tax Department: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to George T. Ito 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 twelfth day of December 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
NORMAN W. RICE
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Norman W. Rice, Associate Tax Auditor in the Van Nuys District Office, will retire on December 29, 2007, after almost 33 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Norman began his career with the Board of Equalization on September 10, 1974, as an Auditor in the Van Nuys 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 in September 1975, and Tax Auditor III in June 1980, where he audited some of the largest companies in the district, he was an instructor for many of the Boards in-house classes, Joint Tax Agency classes and the buddy for several new auditors, thus making an important contribution towards the training and development of the audit staff; and

WHEREAS, Norman's work was consistently of the highest quality and widely appreciated by the supervisory and managerial staff throughout his career, and the district office has received numerous letters from professional groups thanking him for his excellent presentations regarding sales tax audits, thus making an important contribution towards taxpayer education, and in 1988 he received a Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Norman 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 Norman W. Rice 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 twelfth day of December 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
Edward W. Schoelz
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Edward (Ed) W. Schoelz, Business Taxes Specialist in the West Covina District Office, will retire on December 31, 2007, after more than 33 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Ed began his career with the Board of Equalization on August 5, 1974, as an Auditor I in the Downey 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 in August 1975, and after ably serving the Downey District Office he moved to the Pasadena District Office advancing to the position of Tax Auditor III in June 1980, where he conducted audits of more complex business entities; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he advanced to the position of Tax Auditor IV, later reclassified as Business Taxes Specialist I in July 1986; and

WHEREAS, he participated in the consolidation of the district and Covina Branch Office which became the Industry District Office in December 1994, and was later moved to its present facility in West Covina in July 2000; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Ed has been especially effective in helping other auditors through his willingness to share his knowledge of the sales and use tax laws and regulations, and he 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 Edward W. Schoelz 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 twelfth day of December 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
PAULA SPREITZER
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Paula Spreitzer, Associate Personnel Analyst, in the Human Resources Division, Employee and Management Services Section, will retire on April 1, 2008, after 33 years of outstanding and admirable service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Paula began her career with the State of California as a Clerk I in the Department of Social Welfare on April 2, 1973, she transferred to the Office of State Fire Marshall as a Clerk Typist II on September 29, 1973, and then to the Department of Health Services, Disability Evaluation Division on October 31, 1973; and

WHEREAS, she transferred to the Department of Justice on May 31, 1974, serving as an Office Assistant II, General, she was promoted to Program Technician I on May 16, 1980, then to Office Services Supervisor I, Typing, on July 1, 1985 and after ably serving the Department of Justice, Paula transferred to the State Board of Equalization on November 16, 1987 as an Office Technician, Typing; and

WHEREAS, and as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Personnel Specialist on March 23, 1994, to Personnel Services Supervisor I on November 5, 1997, to Staff Services Analyst, General, on November 1, 2000, and in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Associate Personnel Analyst on July 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Paula 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 Paula Spreitzer, 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
DAVID B. SHERMAN
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, David B. Sherman, Business Tax Specialist I in the Van Nuys District Office, will retire on December 29, 2007, after almost 33 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, David began his career with the Board of Equalization on August 5, 1974, as an 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 in August 1975, and after ably serving the West Los Angeles District Office, he transferred to the Van Nuys District Office in July 1979, advancing to the positions of Tax Auditor III in January 1981 and Business Tax Specialist I in October 2000, where he audited some of the largest companies in the state; and

WHEREAS, his work was consistently of the highest quality and widely appreciated by the supervisory and managerial staff throughout his career, and the district office has received numerous letters from some of the state's largest taxpayers complimenting David's courteous manner and expertise in conducting their audits, thus making an important contribution towards taxpayer education; and

WHEREAS, and throughout his many years of service, David 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 David B. Sherman 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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Honoring
MARILYN VARON
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Marilyn Varon, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Van Nuys District Office, will retire on November 30, 2007, after more than twenty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn began her career with the Board of Equalization on September 4, 1987, as a Business Taxes Representative in the Van Nuys District 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 Business Taxes Compliance Specialist on November 1, 1995; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn has consistently responded with ingenuity, imagination and foresight to the duties and responsibilities given to her, fulfilling them with outstanding autonomy, accuracy and efficiency, and she has set an example of dedication to principal which has been an inspiration to her fellow employees; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Marilyn has reflected great credit upon the Board and the Sale and Use Tax Department: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Marilyn Varon 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
STAN YOUNG
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Stan Young, Tax Auditor, in the Van Nuys District Office, will retire on December 29, 2007, after almost nineteen years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Stan began his career with the Board of Equalization on January 19, 1989, as an Auditor I in the Hollywood District Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to the position of Tax Auditor January 19, 1990, and after ably serving the Hollywood District Office, he moved to the Van Nuys District Office on February 1, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Stan's work was consistently of high quality and widely appreciated by the supervisory and managerial staff throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service, Stan 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 Stan Young 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 continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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