

Honoring
LOUISE E. CHAPMAN
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Louise (Louie) Chapman, Supervising Property Appraiser in the State-Assessed Properties Division, Property and Special Taxes Department, retired on October 16, 2007, after 32 years of outstanding service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from Sacramento State University Sacramento in 1975, Louie began his career with the Department of Motor Vehicles and in April 1976, he came to the Board of Equalization's Sales and Use Tax Department. From there, he transferred to the Valuation Division, later renamed the State-Assessed Properties Division, and worked for four years on the field appraisal crew appraising the real property of public utilities. In 1980, he was loaned to another Property Taxes Department Division where he worked on a county sampling crew appraising single-family residences, rural and mountain properties, and also administered the State-Assessed Properties Division's Private Railroad Car Tax Program for six years. In 1990, he was promoted to Senior Specialist Property Appraiser where he analyzed mergers and acquisitions of public utilities, and valued larger, more complex unitary property of public utilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Louie assumed the responsibilities as a lead person for the division's field appraisal section where he directed, and coordinated the section's workflow. In 2005, he was promoted to the position of Supervising Property Appraiser, where he supervised 13 auditor-appraisers in the Telecommunications Industry Group, and as a supervisor, he exhibited excellent leadership and provided expert advice to management on the valuation and auditing of public utilities, in addition to his other supervisory responsibilities. Louie's hard work, dedication, attention to detail and great personality have earned him the respect of his co-workers and he will be greatly missed: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Louis E. Chapman our sincere and grateful 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 continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of October 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
HAVEN M. KIMURA
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, Haven M. Kimura, Associate Tax Auditor in the Norwalk District Office, retired on July 31, 2007, after more than 35 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Haven began his career with the Board of Equalization on January 17, 1972, as an Auditor I in the Inglewood District Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability while conducting audits for smaller businesses and later larger businesses, he promoted to the position of Tax Auditor II, and on August 1, 1979 he advanced to the position of Associate Tax Auditor; and

WHEREAS, throughout his many years of service for the Inglewood District Office and the Downey District Office, which became the Norwalk District Office in 1994, 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 Haven M. Kimura 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 October 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

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Honoring
SHIRLEY C. KONYA
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Shirley C. Konya, Business Taxes in the Norwalk District Office, will retired on July 5, 2007, after 32 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 June 16, 1975, as a Student Assistant in the Downey 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 Auditor I in December 1975, Tax Auditor II in December 1976, and Tax Auditor III in January 1979; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Tax Auditor IV in October 1982, which later became a Business Taxes Specialist I; and

WHEREAS, Shirley demonstrated outstanding knowledge and skills by working in various capacities while in this position, in addition to the many years spent conducting the largest, most complex audits; she worked as the District Principal Auditor's Assistant and Technical Advisor; and as the Norwalk District Reviewer, and throughout her many years of service, she 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 C. Konya 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
VALERIE SMITH
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Valerie Smith, Tax Technician in the Van Nuys District Office, will retire on August 30, 2007, after more than 24 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Valerie began her career with the Board of Equalization on August 15, 1983, as an Office Assistant II in the Van Nuys District Office; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment as a Program Technician I on September 1, 1986, and Program Technician II on September 1, 1987; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Tax Technician III and continued her career in this position since June 1, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Valerie has set an example of dedication to principal which has been an inspiration to her fellow employees, and throughout her many years of service, she has reflected great credit upon the State Board of Equalization and the Sales and Use Tax Department and 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 Valerie Smith 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
IRENE P. TSE
On Her Retirement

WHEREAS, Irene P. Tse, Associate Tax Auditor and a Certified Public Accountant directly involved in the district's C.P.A. certification process, will retire on September 30, 2007, after close to 25 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, Irene began her career with the Board of Equalization on March 3, 1980, as Auditor I 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 Tax Auditor II in March 1981; and

WHEREAS, she successfully passed the bar exam more than ten years ago and has readily shared her knowledge of the sales and use tax law particularly as it applies to the graphic arts industry, and she was part of the small group of Board staff conducting public meetings throughout the state in 1999 on amendments to Regulation 1541, Printing and Related Art; and

WHEREAS, Irene worked on a complete re-write of the Advertising Agency class which has been presented to the audit staff, she has always been ready, willing and able to make presentations before many professional groups on a variety of topics relating to the Board, she has met with a variety of visiting Chinese government delegations disseminating information about the Board in Mandarin, and throughout her career, she has been especially effective in helping to train staff on short cut audit techniques and audits of printing and advertising agencies; and

WHEREAS, throughout her many years of service, Irene 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 Irene P. Tse, 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 of October 2007, by the State Board of Equalization.

Honoring
DAVID B. WELD, JR.
On His Retirement

WHEREAS, David B. Weld, Jr. in the Supervising Tax Auditor I, in the Norwalk District Office, retired on May 16, 2007, after more than 35 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

WHEREAS, David began his career as Fiscal Student Trainee in the Long Beach District Office of the Board of Equalization on June 17, 1971, and was appointed as Tax Auditor I on October 1, 1971; and

WHEREAS, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he was promoted to Tax Auditor IV on November 1, 1982, and to Supervising Tax Auditor I on May 1, 1990; and

WHEREAS, 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. Weld, 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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