PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE RECOGNIZING RAYMOND C. MILLER FOR HIS THIRTY TWO (32) YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF BRISBANE

WHEREAS, Raymond C. Miller first served on the Brisbane Planning Commission from 1980 to 1984 where he worked on the Garbage Incinerator EIR and led a successful campaign against locating it in Brisbane and also advanced the annexation of the Northeast Ridge of San Bruno Mountain and Crocker Park by processing the County's initial plan for housing on the Ridge; and

WHEREAS, he then was elected to the Brisbane City Council in 1984 and served in that office for 11 years, three of those years as Brisbane's Mayor. During those years on the Council some of his highlighted accomplishments included:

He survived the Northeast Ridge developer's unfounded lawsuit against Brisbane, and personally against him and two other Councilmembers after 5-years of uncertainty, as well as helping defeat legislative efforts by the developer to de-annex Crocker Park and the Northeast Ridge;

He served on a Council Subcommittee, which successfully negotiated with the NER developer for the reduction of the NER housing unit total by more than 50% and for the funding for Mission Blue Center, the new City Hall, and other City infrastructure;

He was elected chair of San Mateo County Council of Mayors in 1990 and facilitated the name change to Council of Cities, and was elected as the Northern District Representative on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority from 1988-1995;

He facilitated the establishment of the County-wide Congestion Management Agency, better known as the City/County Association of Governments (County plus all twenty cities) and served as its chair from 1991-1994;

He was elected as the Northern District Representative on the San Mateo County Transportation Authority from 1988-1995;

He helped create Brisbane's General Plan, adopted in 1994 and confirmed by a referendum on a 2-1 vote and was instrumental in Council's use of a comprehensive survey to accurately reflect citizen opinions for inclusion in the General Plan;

He initiated the legal process to stop the clear-cutting of San Bruno Mountain State/County Park without any plan for debris removal or reclamation; and

WHEREAS, just three years after leaving office as a Councilmember, he served on the Ad Hoc Committee to form, and then as a founding member on the Brisbane Open Space & Ecology Committee. He served for 13 years on the Open Space & Ecology Committee (OSEC), five of those years as the Chairman. During those years on OSEC some of his highlighted accomplishments were:

He helped lead the production of Brisbane's first Open Space Plan, adopted by the Council in 2001 and followed by grant-assisted City purchases of most of the critical open space parcels in the Brisbane Acres, as well as an ongoing vegetation management of the acquired parcels;

He promoted creation of one of the first Green Building Ordinances in the State, ultimately being adopted by the City Council and he initiated a process leading to the Sustainability Framework for the Baylands;

He started work on an Energy Efficiency Plan that culminated in the Council's adoption of the City's Climate Action Plan, and

WHEREAS, in 2011 he was again elected to the Brisbane City Council and has served the last four years in that capacity, once again as Mayor in 2013. During this time on the Council his highlighted accomplishments were:

He initiated the Mayor's Column in The Luminary, the monthly newsletter of the Brisbane Chamber of Commerce;

He served on the Council Facilities Subcommittee which initiated the process of getting the Brisbane Fire House repaired and back in operation, worked on the Water and Sewer Capital Improvement Plans and Rate Structure, and the process for getting the Marina docks repaired and the dredging completed;

He was a key participant on the Council History Subcommittee preparing for publication of the City of Stars: The Second 25 Years (1986-2011);

He facilitated renewed attention on Brisbane's budgetary circumstances, including addressing short and long-term capital needs and other previously unfunded liabilities such as pensions and retiree health care;

He facilitated community participation in the Baylands planning process via the appointment of the Baylands Citizens Committee to study and comment on the Baylands Draft Environmental Impact Report as well as promoting and working on the content of a comprehensive voter survey;

He served on a Council Subcommittee for creating the Baylands Sustainability Framework, adopted by the Council to be used by the Planning Commission and Council in the planning process for the Baylands;

He provided leadership in the establishment of the Complete Streets Safety Committee, a rejuvenated citizens' advisory committee on safe travel routes for pedestrians, bicyclists and vehicles.

WHEREAS, his collective service to the citizens of Brisbane totals over 32 years, an unprecedented amount of public service, evidencing his profound concern for Brisbane and its future; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED *that upon his retirement from public service Raymond C. Miller intends to write the second edition of his textbook "International Political Economy", and also to spend time with his wife Anja, daughter Elna, and twin granddaughters Marissa and Julianne. We thank Raymond C. Miller for his extraordinary dedication to the City of Brisbane and its citizens.*

Terry O'Connell, Mayor

Clifford R. Lentz, Mayor Pro Tem

W. Clarke Conway, Councilmember

Lori S. Liu, Councilmember