Proclamation

Expressing Appreciation to the City of Brisbane for Assistance Provided in Response to the September 9, 2010 Explosion and Fire

WHEREAS, on the evening of September 9, 2010, a high-pressure natural gas line in the Glenview neighborhood of San Bruno broke apart and exploded. The explosion knocked out a city water main line, ignited flames of 2,000 degrees shooting over 100 feet into the air. Thirty eight homes were destroyed in the blast, sixty-six persons were injured, and most tragically, eight people lost their lives as a result of the explosion and fire; and

WHEREAS, in the following days nearly 900 police and fire personnel from throughout San Mateo County and the Bay Area heroically fought the fire, evacuated residents, and assisted with the initial clean up and re-entry to the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, more than 200 non safety personnel from neighboring jurisdictions and special districts responded and provided assistance to the community of San Bruno by staffing the Emergency Operations Center for over a week and providing technical support in areas including building inspection, planning, finance and administration; and

WHEREAS, the response from the City of Brisbane and our other mutual aid partners was quick and effective, allowing all of our agencies working together to provide the best possible service to the residents of San Bruno and demonstrating the capability of local government to make a positive difference in the lives of citizens who depend on us in time of crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, the San Bruno City Council, on behalf of the San Bruno community, does hereby recognize and express sincere appreciation for the tremendous support and assistance provided by the

City of Brisbane

Dated this 4th day of April, 2011

Jim Ruane, Mayor