



# City of Santa Barbara

## LETTER OF RECOGNITION

**The City of Santa Barbara Fire Department  
125 Continuous Years of Service  
May 12, 2007**

*WHEREAS, at De la Guerra Plaza on May 12, "The 125 Continuous Years of Service Celebration" will commemorate the founding of Washington Fire Company #2, the organization that eventually became what we know today as the City of Santa Barbara Fire Department; and*

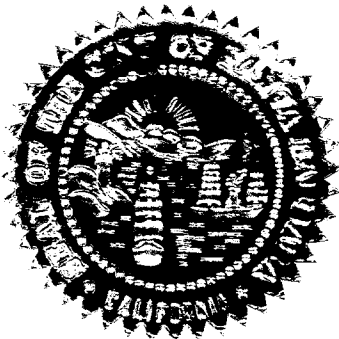
*WHEREAS, the men and women of the City of Santa Barbara Fire Department have protected the lives, property, and environment of the community with unrelenting diligence and service since February 22, 1882; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara Fire Department and the Santa Barbara City Firefighters Association are jointly celebrating 125 years of continual service to the community, while acknowledging the risk to their own lives that they face when combating wildfires, earthquakes, floods, and other disasters – natural and otherwise; and*

*WHEREAS, Santa Barbara City Firefighters also have contributed greatly to the well-being of all residents by providing extensive fire prevention and public education programs,*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARTY BLUM, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby recognize 125 CONTINUOUS YEARS OF SERVICE BY THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA FIRE DEPARTMENT and encourage all residents to pay tribute to firefighters, past and present, for their dedication and efforts to provide for the safety and well-being of those who live and work in our community.**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California to be affixed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2007.*



*Marty Blum*  
MARTY BLUM, MAYOR

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