

# FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY

## Resolution of Appreciation and Commendation

### Joseph P. Russell

**WHEREAS**, during his service on the Board of Directors of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority ("FORA"), Joseph Russell ("Joe") also served as Mayor of the City of Del Rey Oaks, leading his community to develop portions of the former Fort Ord as the city's gateway project; and

**WHEREAS**, Joe Russell was also instrumental in supporting FORA as Vice Mayor of the City of Del Rey Oaks; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Russell was never heard to utter the words "so moved" relying always to restate any motion before his oversight; and


**WHEREAS**, Joe successfully deployed his inimitable diplomacy, soft, genteel manner and admirably patient approach to secure the compromise solutions to the many difficult conflicts that arose during those early days; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Russell has been known for his willingness to work long hours in support of a fair and equitable distribution of resources on a level playing field for all participants involved in the reuse of the former Fort Ord; and

**WHEREAS**, Joe Russell contributed mightily to the Fort Ord reuse decision-making process through his Chairmanship of the Board of Directors and membership on the FORA Legislative, Finance, and Executive Committees; and

**WHEREAS**, Joe Russell exemplified the respected and honored title "Mr. Mayor" in all aspects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Fort Ord Reuse Authority acknowledges Joe Russell's priceless contributions to the long term and comprehensive efforts of the redevelopment of the former Fort Ord. Be it further acknowledged that Mayor Russell has set a high standard of achievement and dedication that will serve as a model for all Fort Ord reuse operations.

  
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Ralph Rubio, FORA Chair

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