

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALO ALTO
EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO DONALD PIANA ON
HIS RETIREMENT FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Donald Piana has served the City of Palo Alto for the past twenty-five years and has made significant contributions to the City of Palo Alto in his capacities as Park Supervisor; Park Superintendent, and Interim Open Space and Parks Division Manager; and

WHEREAS, Donald Piana, is a 35-year member of the California Parks and Recreation Society and an active participant in the Peninsula Parks Superintendent Association; and

WHEREAS, Donald Piana, has created and implemented maintenance programs and services that have kept our City Parks, playground facilities; athletic fields, tennis courts, landscaped areas, and business districts clean, safe, fun, and esthetically pleasing for visitors and participants; and

WHEREAS, Donald Piana has been a leader in environmental practices, including the implementation of the City's Integrated Pest Management Program which has resulted in the significant reduction of pesticides in parks and City facilities, implemented water conservancy programs, and attained a Bay Area Green Business Association Certification in 2002; and

WHEREAS, through Donald Piana's devotion to making our parks and open spaces attractive and appealing to the public, the City was the recipient of the ICMA "Voice of the People Award for Excellence in Providing Park Services" in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Donald Piana has been an exemplary manager and mentor, providing his Staff with opportunities to create, grow and succeed by providing a workplace that was educational, motivational and open to new ideas; and

WHEREAS, Donald Piana is recognized by his peers and has earned the high esteem of City staff, residents, the business community, and the environmental community for his professionalism, knowledge and for providing the community with outstanding programs and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Palo Alto hereby gratefully records its appreciation, as well as the appreciation of the citizens of this community, for the outstanding public service rendered by Donald Piana, along with our best wishes for a rewarding and fulfilling life during retirement.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2009

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

City Manager