

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE TO RECOGNIZE THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS, AND TO ESTABLISH SUPPORT FOR SUCH OPERATORS IN THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

WHEREAS, the United States Congress defined radio stations to include amateur stations operated by persons interested in radio technique without pecuniary interest;

WHEREAS, regulations, set forth in Part 97 of title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations clarify and extend the purposes of the amateur radio service as a:

- (1) voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing safety of life and property through the use of radio communication;
- (2) contributing service to the advancement of telecommunications;
- (3) service which encourages improvement of an individual's technical and operating skills;
- (4) service providing a national reservoir of trained operators, technicians and electronics experts; and
- (5) service enhancing international good will;

WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside finds that members of the amateur radio service community have provided invaluable emergency communications services following disasters such as the California wild fires, the Haitian earthquake, Mt. St. Helens eruption, Hurricane Katrina, tornadoes, floods, and industrial accidents in great number and variety across the Nation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside finds that the amateur radio service has made a contribution to our Nation's communications by its crafting, in 1961, of the first Earth satellite licensed by the Federal Communications Commission, by its proof-of-concept for search rescue satellites, by its continued exploration of the low Earth orbit reflections from meteor trails, a technique now used for certain government and commercial communications, and by its leading role in development of low-cost, practical data transmission by radio which increasingly is being put to extensive use in, for instance, the land mobile service.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Amateur radio operators are hereby commended for their contributions to technical progress in electronics, and for their emergency radio communications in times of disaster.

SECTION 2. Governments are urged to continue and enhance the development of the amateur radio service as a public benefit by adopting rules and regulations which encourage the amateur radio service. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to amend the zoning requirements for amateur radio facilities in Oceanside or otherwise have a regulatory impact.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Oceanside, California, this 22nd day of June, 2011, by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NAYS:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAIN:

MAYOR OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Clerk

City Attorney

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