CITY OF UNION CITY PROCLAMATION

Honoring Volunteer Les Yamane for his outstanding service at the Ruggieri Senior Center

WHEREAS, Les became a member of the Ruggieri Center in the year 2000 and has been a vital part of the center ever since; it was in the Ruggieri Center kitchen where Les first started volunteering and it was there that he helped prepare and serve food to the members for the Center's daily lunch program and also for the special senior lunch events which are held at the center up to six times a year; and

WHEREAS, shortly afterward Les became the leader of the Ruggieri Center's walking group, in which he leads a group of seniors on a 60 minute walk from the center to various nearby neighborhoods in Union City and afterwards everyone comes back to center where they enjoy coffee, tea and snacks; and Les then became one of the group leaders of the Ruggieri Center Bowling group, which meets once a week on Fridays at Manor Bowl in San Leandro; and

WHEREAS, during his time at the center, Les has always assisted with the Center's annual Larry O car show, which was named after former Ruggieri Senior Center Supervisor Larry Orozco and is held on the second Saturday of August every year, and Les helps at this event by doing everything from checking in classic automobiles for the day to barbequing food for the snack bar; and

WHEREAS, in the past few years Les has also become the spokesperson for the successful table tennis program at the Center and helps the program by developing fundraising ideas for extra equipment and supplies that the table tennis program needs; and

WHEREAS, Les' outstanding volunteer service has shown a real commitment to the Ruggieri Center, its members and the programs that it offers and everyone from the Ruggieri Senior Center would like to thank Les for all of his dedication and hard work; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby extends its recognition and sincere appreciation to **Les Yamane**.

DATED: February 14, 2017

CAROL DUTRA-VERNACI, Mayor
PAT GACOSCOS, Vice Mayor
LORRIN ELLIS, Councilmember
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