



Proclamation

of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors

Recognizing Dennis Otani for his 35 years of public service.

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani is retiring from 35 years of public service on September 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani began his career in 1976 with Kings County as a Registered Environmental Health Specialist, advanced rapidly in responsibility, and ultimately became the Director of Environmental Health & Assistant Air Pollution Control Officer; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani was recruited to the County of El Dorado in 1991 for his environmental management expertise and personnel management experience, served as the Program Manager for Environmental Health, and in 1993 became the Air Pollution Control Program Manager; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani, while fostering collaborative working relationships with the California Air Resources Board and the federal Environmental Protection Agency, led the research, development, and implementation of approximately two dozen Air Quality Management District Rules forming the foundation of District operations; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani developed the Air Quality Management District's enforcement program, and as a Senior Air Quality Specialist has personally completed hundreds of stationary source inspections, conducted numerous air quality complaint investigations including Naturally Occurring Asbestos inspections, and further ensured public health safety through review of numerous smoke management plans and burn observations; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani has trained and mentored dozens of fellow staff members which now serve in a variety of positions in the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District, other local air districts, and the California Air Resources Board; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Otani has consistently carried out his professional responsibilities on behalf of the County of El Dorado with skillfulness, integrity, and genuine kindness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado commend and honor Dennis Otani for his years of service to the citizens and businesses of the County, and to hereby approve this proclamation as evidence of his achievements and contributions, and wish him the very best in his well-earned retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 27th day of September 2011.

Raymond J. Nutting, Chair
Board of Supervisors

Attest:
Suzanne Allen de Sanchez
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By _____
Deputy Clerk