

PROCLAMATION

Board of Supervisors for El Dorado County Recognizes Gene E. Thorne, Civil Engineer, Husband, Father, Friend February 20, 1945 – January 10, 2012

Whereas, Gene E. Thorne was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1945 and moved to El Dorado County with his family in 1955 where he attended El Dorado High School and then onto Stanford University to earn a Masters in Civil Engineering before being commissioned into the Army as a First Lieutenant while working on his Doctorate; and,

Whereas, Gene returned to El Dorado County in 1972 with his wife, Joan, to raise a family and establish his career as a successful Civil Engineer quickly becoming known as the "the guy" to talk to about how to best use ones' property; and,

Whereas, Gene generously gave of himself both professionally and personally as an active member in the Surveyors, Architects, Geologists and Engineers (SAGE), the El Dorado Forum, Fifth or Fight, Jeepers Jamboree, Chamber of Commerce and the El Dorado Builders' Exchange along with other charitable and professional associations; and,

Whereas, according to friends, "Gene was always willing to lend time to improve this community"; and,

Whereas, although the 2008 economic downturn took its toll on his professional engineering firm, Gene E. Thorne and Associates, Inc., he never stopped giving back as a volunteer, contributing selflessly to further good landuse policy decisions for the General Plan, presenting well researched information to the Board of Supervisors, and providing professional representation on project design; and,

Whereas, while Gene will be sorely missed by his loving family and friends, the County of El Dorado recognizes a great loss to the citizens, summed up in a statement, "We have lost a loyal and giving man".

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does herewith recognize Gene E. Thorne, "a loyal and giving man".

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 7^{th} day of February, 2012.

Attest: Suzanne Allen de Sanchez, Clerk of the Board Ayes: Knight, Nutting, Sweeney, Briggs, Santiago

Deputy Clerk of the Board

Supervisor John R. Knight, Chair