PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRISBANE RECOGNIZING CITY CLERK SHERI SPEDIACCI FOR HER 23 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITY OF BRISBANE

WHEREAS, after twenty-three years of service to the Brisbane City Council, Citizens, and the City Hall organization, with nineteen years as City Clerk, Sheri Marie Spediacci has decided to retire from the City and pursue other opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Sheri first came to the City of Brisbane in 1992 where she began her career as a receptionist at City Hall. After three months she was promoted to provide administrative support to the City Manager who subsequently appointed her as Deputy City Clerk and then as City Clerk after she obtained her certification as Municipal Clerk from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks; and

WHEREAS, for her entire career, Sheri was often the first point of contact for residents and others seeking information at City Hall and always treated everyone fairly and equally with kindness and empathy and a helpful attitude. Whenever Sheri spoke with you, she made you feel like the most important person in the room and gave you her utmost attention; and

WHEREAS, during her 19 years as City Clerk, she served thirteen (13) different Mayors and Councilmembers and recorded and facilitated approximately five hundred fifty (550) City Council Meetings; and

WHEREAS, during her years of service, she also successfully administered 15 municipal elections, including City Council elections, referendums, initiatives, and advisory measures; and

WHEREAS, Sheri acted as the City's compliance officer for federal, state, and local statues including the Political Reform Act, the Brown Act, and the Public Records Act; and

WHEREAS, Sheri initiated and oversaw the development of an electronic records management and retrieval system which greatly improved the ability of Councilmembers, staff and residents to access City records and documents. Sheri also reduced costs and improved efficiency of distributing Council meeting agenda packets by developing and managing an iPad Program for City Councilmembers and Department Heads; and

WHEREAS, since 2010, Sheri has administered Brisbane's affordable housing programs including first-time homebuyer loans, new project development and support to the Redevelopment Successor Agency; and

WHEREAS, as the ultimate party planner, Sheri has been responsible for planning and organizing all of the important City events, including ground breaking ceremonies, ribbon-cutting ceremonies, retirement parties, and City anniversary celebrations. Sheri's professionalism and poise were exemplified at the many official functions she arranged.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that after twenty-three years of dedicated public service we take this opportunity to express our indebtedness to Sheri Spediacci for her winsome attitude, kind spirit, and excellence in service to all. Many congratulations, Sheri, on your retirement and best of luck in your new endeavors!

Dated this 15th day of September, 2016.

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Cliff Lentz, Mayor
City of Brisbane