

## *In Recognition of Dick Jones*

**WHEREAS**, the La Habra City Council feels it is very important to recognize individuals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedicated public service to the community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Richard “Dick” Jones, a devoted son of Pico Rivera, California, was raised by Ken and Margaret Jones alongside his three siblings, where values of service, education, and community engagement were instilled from an early age; and

**WHEREAS**, as the first in his family to attend college, Dick earned a full scholarship to Whittier College, where he pursued dual majors in Political Science and Business, all while working at Disneyland and embodying the spirit of dedication and perseverance; and

**WHEREAS**, Dick continued his academic achievements at the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, again on scholarship, and upon passing the Bar, joined the law firm that would become Shay, Stirling, Jones & Jones in La Habra; and,

**WHEREAS**, beginning in 1976, Dick Jones embarked on a remarkable legal career serving cities throughout Orange County and beyond, ultimately serving as City Attorney for La Habra, Westminster, Whittier, and Fullerton, and working with six City Managers and over 30 City Council members over four decades; and

**WHEREAS**, under Dick’s legal guidance, the City of La Habra experienced transformative growth and development, including the establishment of major retail centers, the construction of a new City Hall, and countless initiatives that improved the quality of life for residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Dick’s impact extended beyond City Hall — as a nearly 50-year board member of the La Habra Boys & Girls Club, a 30-year Rotarian, a 17-year veteran of the Lowell Joint Education School Board, and a 30-year leader on the Cal Domestic Water Board of Directors, including 25 years as Chairman; and

**WHEREAS**, Dick’s professional legacy lives on through Jones Mayer, now a firm of over 50 attorneys representing 23 cities and numerous special districts across California.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the City Council of the City of La Habra does hereby commend and honor Dick Jones for his extraordinary service and leadership, expresses its deepest gratitude for his contributions, and extends best wishes for a fulfilling and well-deserved retirement.

**DATED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

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Rose Espinoza  
Mayor

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Attest: Rhonda J. Barone, CMC  
City Clerk