



CITY COUNCIL

Darryl Moore
Councilmember District 2

CONSENT CALENDAR
October 23, 2007

To: Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Darryl Moore

Subject: Honoring Theodore David Gartner

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution in honor of the brilliant life of Ted Gartner.

BACKGROUND:

Ted Gartner was very active in City Politics and served on the City's Public Works, Energy, Landmarks Commissions and the Zoning Adjustments Board, volunteered on a number of local political campaigns, and served on the board of East Bay Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered (GLBT) Democratic Club. He was also an extremely active community member who was involved in Berkeley Partners for Parks, served as the coordinator for the Berkeley Brunch and the Greater San Pablo Rainbow Neighborhood Group (GSPRNG), and volunteered for a number of civic projects, including planting and caring for the gardens on the median strips of University Avenue and organizing and fundraising to build "Dreamland for Kids", the wooden playground facilities at Aquatic Park, and also volunteered at Thousand Oaks Elementary as a writing coach.

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution to commemorate all of his contributions to the Berkeley community.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

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RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF THEODORE DAVID GARTNER

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner was born Dec 23, 1947 to Edna and Thomas Gartner in Woodland, California; and

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner worked at the Lawrence Berkeley National Lab for 18 years in the Communication Office of the Environmental Energy Technologies Division; and

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner was a talented cook and often entertained his close group of friends at home and also did freelance writing for the Contra Costa Times' Food & Wine section, where he shared his love for food with the entire Bay Area community; and

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner was very active in City Politics and served on the City's Public Works, Energy, Landmarks Commissions and the Zoning Adjustments Board, volunteered on a number of local political campaigns, and served on the board of East Bay Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered (GLBT) Democratic Club; and

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner was also an extremely active community member who was involved in Berkeley Partners for Parks, served as the coordinator for the Berkeley Brunch and the Greater San Pablo Rainbow Neighborhood Group (GSPRNG), and volunteered for a number of civic projects, including planting and caring for the gardens on the median strips of University Avenue and organizing and fundraising to build "Dreamland for Kids", the wooden playground facilities at Aquatic Park, and also volunteered at Thousand Oaks Elementary as a writing coach; and

WHEREAS, Ted Gartner passed away August 2nd, 2007 and left Vernon Theiss, his surviving domestic partner, and the entire Berkeley community with a tremendous feeling of loss.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Berkeley City Council commemorates the brilliant life of

Theodore David Gartner

for all of his contributions to the friends, family and community, and the joy and love for life that he shared with everyone.