



IN RECOGNITION OF CHAPARRAL HOUSE

WHEREAS, Chaparral House was founded in 1978 by the then-mayor of Berkeley, Wally Johnson, and his wife Marion, along with their friend Dr. Leela Craig, a well-respected physician who became the organization's first medical director; and

WHEREAS, Today, Chaparral House provides eldercare for 49 people in a dynamic, homelike environment on 2.4 scenic acres; and

WHEREAS, Chaparral House is one of only a handful of skilled nursing care centers in the entire State of California that is nonprofit, nonsectarian, and run by a community-based, all-volunteer board of directors; and

WHEREAS, Chaparral House is the only skilled nursing care center in Berkeley rated 5-stars by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and

WHEREAS, Chaparral House is the only joint commission accredited skilled nursing care center in the entire East Bay; and

WHEREAS, Chaparral House was the first skilled nursing care center in the United States to achieve specialty certification in-memory care, and remains the only memory care certified center in the entire East Bay.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Tom Bates, on behalf of the City of Berkeley recognize

Chaparral House

for setting the standard for skilled nursing care centers and for establishing a top-notch program to care for its patients and residents with dementia and other cognitive impairments.

Tom Bates

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Mayor



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