



IN HONOR OF ASHBY VILLAGE

WHEREAS, Ashby Village is an innovative, nonprofit organization founded by Berkeley residents in 2010 with the mission to create a community-based network of people living in the greater Berkeley area who are over age 50; and

WHEREAS, The village movement is an effective, fast-growing, grass-roots response to the aging of our society, with more than 140 virtual villages operating in 40 states and more than 120 in development; and

WHEREAS, Research has shown that the great majority of Americans wish to remain in their own homes as they age, and with 11.7% of Berkeley's population over age 65 in 2010 and 19% projected for the region in 2020, the need for Ashby Village's cost-effective community- and volunteer-provided services will increase accordingly; and

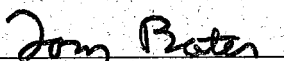
WHEREAS, Ashby Village has created and relies on an extensive volunteer network, screened service providers, and partnerships with local agencies and businesses; and

WHEREAS, Ashby Village fills a major gap in the services and social activities available to our older residents and has demonstrated itself as a leader in this national village movement.

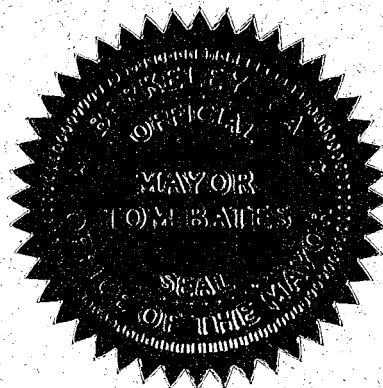
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Tom Bates, Mayor of the City of Berkeley, do hereby celebrate the fifth anniversary of

Ashby Village

in recognition of and gratitude for the integral role Ashby Village plays in the lives of the older members of the greater Berkeley community.



Tom Bates
Mayor



June 12, 2015