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Dear Chief Lewis,

On behalf of the Corona del Mar Residents Association, the Board of Directors want to thank you for your years of service to our community, especially for your responsiveness to the safety concerns of Corona del Mar residents.

As you know, the fire hazards prevalent in Buck Gully and Morning Canyon present challenges not only to the perimeter homeowners but to all who make their home in Corona del Mar. Your efforts to support community outreach and education pertaining to home fire prevention and landscaping fuel modification have been an important component in helping our residents understand the perils of living adjacent to wild lands and the remedies that are available to us. Your rollout of last year's *Ready – Set – Go Program* is an important example of your department's ongoing efforts on this vital topic.

IRVINE TERRACE:

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We appreciate your willingness to participate in many of Corona del Mar's community events, including our Annual Town Meetings each April, and last year's Corona del Mar Neighborhood Preparedness Expo at Sherman Gardens. The time that you and your staff devoted to our residents at these events is a testament to our City's extraordinary public safety personnel, goals and programs.

CORONA HIGHLANDS:

Carl Jeremias

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Sandie Haskell

Under your guidance and leadership, Newport Beach has a nationally recognized Emergency Management Program and has become the model for cities, counties and states to follow. This effective planning, coupled with the successful CERT resident volunteer program, situates Newport Beach to successfully manage through any emergency or disaster that may confront us.

CAMEO HIGHLANDS:

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MEMBERS AT LARGE:

We thank you Chief Lewis for all you have done for Corona del Mar and for our entire City, and wish you the best as you prepare for your retirement.

THE TERRACES

Margaret Ryckoff

Roberta Kuhlmann

Sincerely,

Karen E. Tringali, President
Corona del Mar Residents Association

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