



COMMENDATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE
HONORING

HAIG PAPAIA

FOR RECEIVING THE GEORGE TUMANJAN PHILANTHROPIC
AWARD FROM THE COMMERCE INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, *The George Tumanjan Philanthropic Award honors an individual of an Industrial Council member company/business who has demonstrated exemplary commitment and dedication to improving the quality of life of the Commerce business community, the Industrial Council, and the region as a whole; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian has been on the board of directors of the Commerce Casino since 1996 and currently serves as the President, CEO and Chairman of the Board; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian is a dedicated philanthropist, serving on the Advisory Board of the Montebello Commerce YMCA, the Executive Board of the Sheriff's Youth Foundation, the board of the New Department of Motor Vehicles; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian oversaw the operation of the family business, Haig's Disposal from 1971 to 1980; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian, became president and owner of Haig & Haig, Inc. in 1980 and remained so until its sale in 1997 when he became active in the day to day operations of the Commerce Casino; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian has become a generous contributor and partner to various causes, including the YMCA, Rio Hondo Boys & Girls Clubs, City of Commerce Scholarship Fund, local and regional schools as well as law enforcement; and*

WHEREAS, *Haig Papaian is a valued member of the Commerce community, serving the residents, businesses and visitors to the Model City with honor and distinction.*

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE COMMENDS HAIG PAPAIA FOR RECEIVING THE GEORGE TUMANJAN PHILANTHROPIC AWARD AND FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO THE CITY OF COMMERCE. THE CITY IS GRATEFUL FOR THE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS HE HAS MADE TO THE COMMUNITY.

Signed this February 21, 2017.

ATTEST:

Ivan Altamirano
Mayor

Lena Shumway
City Clerk