

Town of Paradise, California

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, citizens of our local community, bound together by a spirit of compassion and commitment to meet the needs of the less fortunate in our community during the 2012 holiday season, served over a thousand individuals within the Town of Paradise and surrounding Paradise Ridge area by providing meals and gifts at no cost to participants; and,

WHEREAS, Feather River Hospital provided hundreds of Thanksgiving dinners for families on the ridge and supported the Salvation Army during Christmas; and,

WHEREAS, the "Food for Tummies – Food for Thought" food closet in Magalia opened to feed the poorest of the poor on the ridge and recently added a clothes closet as part of its service; and,

WHEREAS, "Heart to Hand" provided gifts, clothing and food baskets to hundreds of local low income working families, as well as partnered with other local agencies and assisted them in meeting their children's needs; and,

WHEREAS, the Paradise Seventh Day Adventist Church provided families with Christmas food baskets and decorations for families; and,

WHEREAS, Paradise Alliance Church provided families with Christmas food baskets; and,

WHEREAS, the Paradise Ridge Family Resource Center provided holiday food bags as well as Christmas gifts to ridge families through Giving Trees placed at local businesses; and,

WHEREAS, the Ridge Presbyterian Church food pantry gave turkeys and Christmas gifts to families; and,

WHEREAS, the local Salvation Army provided families with Christmas assistance through Angel Tree gifts and food boxes for low-income households; and,

WHEREAS, St. Nicholas Episcopal Church hosted a special holiday feast on December 18 for all age groups and participated in the Salvation Army gift program; and,

WHEREAS, the St. Thomas More Catholic Church provided Christmas baskets with a complete holiday dinner and hosted a gift store for children from 0 – 17 years of age.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Timothy Titus, Mayor of the Town of Paradise, hereby recognize and commend those individuals volunteering within our local churches and non-profit organizations in the private sector for working both independently and in collaboration with one another to maximize the resources within our community in order to effectively serve the citizens of our Town and the surrounding area, and hereby honor the countless hours and personal sacrifices made to provide for the basic needs of people who were experiencing difficulty in providing for themselves and their families during the holiday season.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Paradise to be affixed hereto this 12th day of March, 2013.

Timothy Titus, Mayor

