

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**FROM:** Fire – Office of Emergency Services

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
November 4, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Participation in The Great Southern California ShakeOut and the Governor's Annual Statewide Disaster Exercise Golden Guardian 2008

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors endorse, by proclamation, the County of Riverside's participation in The Great Southern California ShakeOut and Golden Guardian 2008

**BACKGROUND:** Major earthquakes pose a particular, significant and ongoing threat to the entire County of Riverside and its residents. Community resiliency to earthquakes and other disasters depends on the preparedness levels of all stakeholders in the community including individuals, families, schools, community organizations, faith-based organizations, non-profits, business and government. By supporting The Great Southern California ShakeOut and Golden Guardian 2008, the County of Riverside can promote earthquake preparedness regarding the protection of life and property to its residents and allow emergency responders the opportunity to assess the effectiveness of their emergency response plans, foster collaborative working relationships and enhance overall response capabilities.

Departmental Concurrence

Peter Lent, Deputy Director, Fire-OES for  
John R. Hawkins - County Fire Chief

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	07/08

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b>	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE**  
  
 BY: Robert Tremaine  
 Robert Tremaine

**County Executive Office Signature**

Dep't Recomm.:  Consent  Policy  
 Per Exec. Ofc.:  Consent  Policy

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THIS PROCLAMATION SIGNIFIES OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE GREAT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SHAKEOUT AND GOLDEN GUARDIAN 2008 AND OUR WORK TOWARD BECOMING A SAFER, MORE PREPARED COMMUNITY.

**WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside recognizes that no community is immune from natural hazards whether it be earthquake, wildfire, flood, winter storms, drought, heat wave, or dam failure and recognizes the importance enhancing its ability to withstand natural hazards as well as the importance of reducing the human suffering, property damage, interruption of public services and economic losses caused by those hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, major earthquakes pose a particular, significant, and ongoing threat to the entire County of Riverside and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside has a responsibility to promote earthquake preparedness internally as well as with the public and plan appropriately for earthquake-related disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, the protection of the employees of the County of Riverside will allow them to facilitate the continuity of government and assist the public following a major earthquake event; and

**WHEREAS**, community resiliency to earthquakes and other disasters depends on the preparedness levels of all stakeholders in the community – individuals, families, schools, community organizations, faith-based organizations, non-profits, businesses, and government; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 13, 2008 the County of Riverside is participating in **The Great Southern California ShakeOut and the Golden Guardian 2008** annual statewide disaster exercise, planned concurrently with a set of public activities November 12-16, including the largest earthquake drill in U.S. history; and

**WHEREAS**, participating in the **Golden Guardian 2008** exercise will give Riverside County emergency responders the opportunity to assess the effectiveness of their emergency response plans, foster collaborative working relationships and enhance overall response capabilities and communications; and

**WHEREAS**, by participating in **The Great Southern California ShakeOut and Golden Guardian 2008**, the County of Riverside has the opportunity to join and support all Southern Californians in strengthening community and regional resiliency; and

**WHEREAS**, by supporting **The Great Southern California ShakeOut and Golden Guardian 2008**, the County of Riverside can educate its residents regarding actions to protect life and property, including mitigating structural and non-structural hazards and participating in earthquake drills; and

**WHEREAS**, by registering at [www.ShakeOut.org](http://www.ShakeOut.org), Riverside County employees can participate in the ShakeOut "Drop Cover and Hold on" earthquake drill on November 13, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. and encourage the public, schools, businesses, and other community stakeholders to also register.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, do hereby proclaim Riverside County's involvement in **The Great Southern**

**California ShakeOut and Golden Guardian 2008 and strongly encourage all employees and residents to take proactive measures today to mitigate the effects of a major earthquake.**

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**ROY WILSON, CHAIRMAN**  
Fourth District Supervisor

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**BOB BUSTER**  
First District Supervisor

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**JOHN F TAVAGLIONE**  
Second District Supervisor

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**JEFF STONE**  
Third District Supervisor

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**MARION ASHELY**  
Fifth District Supervisor