

TOWN OF FAIRFAX PROCLAMATION IN MEMORY OF EUGENE “GENE” SILVIO ARDITO

WHEREAS, Gene was born on April 25, 1925 in Fairfax to Silvio and Luisa Ardito; and

WHEREAS, as a young boy, Gene attended Fairfax Grammar School, then as a young man he commuted to Tamalpais High by the “school special train” and was active in football, and track and field – he graduated Tam in 1943; and

WHEREAS, after graduation he entered the US Navy and was stationed in Alaska during WWII, returning home to Fairfax after the war; and

WHEREAS, Eugene married his wife Lois on May 10, 1952 – they spent nearly 60 years of marriage in their Fairfax home; Lois sadly passed away in 2012. They had a son and a daughter, Michael and Nancy – Michael remains in Fairfax in the home he shared with his dad and Nancy is in Oahu, Hawaii with her family; and

WHEREAS, Eugene was the proud and loving grandfather of Nicole Ardito-Ng and uncle to many nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Gene worked for the Marin Municipal Water District for 36 years, retiring in 1985; and

WHEREAS, he was a Charter Member of the Fairfax Parlour of the Native Sons of the Golden West since its start in 1949, serving as financial secretary for over 60 years, he was also a member of the Fairfax Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, he loved sports, serving as umpire for the Fairfax Little League Baseball for about 10 years, and he was also a member of a bowling team and Fairfax Native Sons’ bocce team; and

WHEREAS, Gene’s lifelong favorite sport was golf, which he played until his late 80’s, his last game was played at the San Geronimo Golf Course and he also played many games over the years in several states, achieving 4 holes in one in his lifetime; and

WHEREAS, in past days Gene could always be found Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m. at the Barefoot Café (prior days at the Koffee Klatch), enjoying breakfast with his buddies, including Lou Vaccaro, Joe Bruce, Bob Burrowes, Peter Arrigoni, all Fairfaxians (and a few others from other Marin locales) – Lou affectionately called them all the “Men of the Wrinkled Faces;”

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that
In honor of the memory of Eugene Ardito,
May 5, 2021 is Eugene Ardito Day in the Town of Fairfax.**



Bruce Ackerman
Mayor of Fairfax