

# RESOLUTION No. 111

Adopted by The Sacramento City Council on date of  
October 18 1928

## MEMORIAL TO COUNCILMAN HAROLD STEPHEN KIERNAN

On the 11th day of August, 1928, the citizens of the City of Sacramento and the members of the City Council, were greatly moved by the death of Councilman Harold Stephen Kiernan. Those who had worked with him and knew him, deplored the loss of one who had given his undivided attention to the affairs of the City Government.

It is therefore enimently proper and fitting that the members of the City Council and the citizens of Sacramento, should, by a review of the life of this honorable man, make formal record of their respect for his memory and of their realization of their great loss by reason of his death and that they should convey to his family an expression of their sincere sympathy for their very great personal bereavement.

The history of his life is the record of a career devoted to public service.

Harold Stephen Kiernan was born in the City of Sacramento on November 6th, 1890. His parents were of Irish descent; his father having been born in New York and his mother in California. His maternal grandfather, Stephen Shields, crossed the plains to California in 1845 and established his home in Sacramento and in the year 1848 he served in the United States-Mexican War.

Harold Stephen Kiernan was a graduate of the public schools in Sacramento and upon his graduation from the Sacramento High School he became interested in the study of the law and pursued his studies of same through a correspondence course with the Washington and Jefferson University.

He was a member of the City Park Board for two and one-half years, his term ending in June, 1921, when the present form of government went into effect. On July 1st, 1921, he was elected to the City Council of the City of Sacramento and was a member thereof from said date to the date of his death. During his term of office he was instrumental in the removal of the "Y" Street Levee and instrumental in raising the salaries of the city laborers.

Death came to him at Livermore, California, on August 15th, 1928, at the age of 38 years.

Harold Stephen Kiernan was Past President of the Sunset Parlor No. 26, Native Sons of the Golden West, a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians a member of the Sacramento Aerie No. 9 of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and a member of the Knights of Columbus. His long term of faithful public service and his irreproachable character gave him a prominent place in the public esteem.

During his lifetime he was employed by the Southern Pacific Company in Sacramento, by Rudolph A. Herold, a noted architect of this city, now deceased, and the Flaven Realty Company, of this City.

Harold Stephen Kiernan was a man who enjoyed to the utmost association with his friends and he was possessed of a keen sense of humor, an affable and cheerful disposition and was a delightful companion upon all occasions. His loss is keenly felt by all who knew him. He was pleasant to meet, good to know and will be long remembered for his sterling qualities.

With a feeling of profound sorrow and with great respect to his memory we, the undersigned, committee appointed by the Honorable Mayor of the City of Sacramento, to prepare a memorial on the death of Harold Stephen Kiernan, a former fellow Councilman, ask that this small tribute be spread upon the records as an honor to one who devoted himself to the public service.

COMMITTEE.

C. W. Anderson

Martin I. Welsh

C. H. S. Bidwell

Adopted by the City Council on date October 18 1928 by following vote:  
AYES: Anderson, Bidwell, Hateley, Maddox, Monk, Welsh.  
ABSENT: Campbell, Conley, Fleming.



CITY CLERK

MAYOR