WHEREAS, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Milestones Program honors significant technical achievements and innovations in electronics and computing; and

WHEREAS, after recommendation by the IEEE History Committee and approval by the IEEE Milestones Program Board of Directors, a bronze plaque commemorating the achievement is placed at an appropriate site with an accompanying dedication ceremony; and

WHEREAS, the first precise measurement of the distance from Earth to the moon was achieved on August 1, 1969, in a landmark experiment involving Lick Observatory astronomers and the Apollo 11 astronauts; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate this achievement on its Apollo 11 Experiment’s 50th anniversary, a bronze plaque in the lobby of the Shane Telescope Dome at Lick Observatory will be dedicated on Thursday, August 1, 2019, as part of the IEEE Milestones Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LISA M. GILLMOR, by the authority vested in me as Mayor, and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby honor and congratulate the

Lick Observatory

on the dedication of the IEEE plaque at the Lick Observatory’s Shane Telescope on August 1, 2019, in honor of the landmark Lunar Laser Ranging Experiment (LURE) that measured the distance to the moon 50 years ago and in commemoration of the Apollo 11 Experiment’s 50th Anniversary.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Santa Clara, California, this 1st day of August, 2019.

LISA M. GILLMOR
MAYOR
City of Santa Clara