

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF FRESNO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF HONORING SHERIFF)
 DEPUTY CHRISTIAN L. CURTICE _____)

RESOLUTION NO 15-046

WHEREAS, Christian L. Curtice was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1959. In 1978, he graduated from Pacific Grove High School in Pacific Grove, California. In 1981, he was sworn in as a reserve deputy sheriff with the Fresno County Sheriff's Office, and a year later became a fulltime deputy with the department. While serving as a deputy, he also earned a criminology degree from California State University, Fresno in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Curtice has received numerous awards throughout his career for his hard work and dedication. He was the first Deputy to receive the California Highway Patrol's "10851 Award" for vehicle threat recovery in 1989. Also, in 1989 he was assigned as a detective with the Sheriff's Crimes Against Persons Unit, and became a member of the California Homicide Investigators Association. In 1992, Deputy Curtice was the recipient of the American Legion's "Outstanding Law Officer of the Year" for the Central Valley area and was the recipient of the same award the following year for the State of California. Within that year, he was also promoted to Deputy IV; and

WHEREAS, From 1992-1995, Deputy Curtice was assigned to a high-profile case known as the "Ewell triple homicide" in Sunnyside along with John Souza and Ernie Burke. Deputy Curtice and his partner later assisted in writing the book "**Catch Me If You Can**", which chronicled the investigation; and

WHEREAS, Later in 2001, he was assigned as Field Training Officer in the Patrol Division, and then in 2006, he was selected as Public Information Officer for the Sheriff's Office, where he collaborated with the media and worked to redesign the Sheriff's website, making the website more user-friendly for the citizens of Fresno County, while also helping to launch the department's Facebook and Twitter pages; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, Deputy Curtice worked with the Central California Blood Center to start the Holiday Hero's Blood Drive, which has now become a successful annual tradition, replenishing the center's blood supply during critical times of the year; and

WHEREAS, Deputy Curtice's last day on-duty will be Friday, February. 27, 2015. A Retirement Celebration will follow Saturday, March 7, 2015 at the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association.

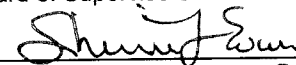
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Fresno County Board of Supervisors hereby recognize and honor Fresno County Sheriff Deputy Christian L. Curtice, for 34 years of service to the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. Fresno County commends his dedication, and exemplary service to the residents of Fresno County.

Adopted by the Fresno County Board of Supervisors this 24th day of February, 2015, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Perea, Borgeas, Mendes, Pacheco, Poochigian
 NOES: None
 Absent: None


 CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:
 BERNICE E. SEIDEL, Clerk
 Board of Supervisors

By 
 Deputy