

RESOLUTION  
DETECTIVE III DONALD ERIC PAYNE

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, Serial No. 24742, was hired by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) on December 17, 1984, and commenced with a distinguished career as a second-generation law enforcement officer following in his father's, Edgar Payne, footsteps. On May 31, 1985, Officer Donald Eric Payne, graduated from the Los Angeles Police Academy. Due to his youthful appearance, he was assigned to Juvenile Narcotics Division; and

WHEREAS, Officer Donald Eric Payne, served in a variety of assignments that included West Los Angeles Patrol, Pacific Patrol, Southwest Patrol, Southwest Area Special Problems Unit (SPU), Southwest Area Vice Unit, Training Officer, and Southwest Detective Trainee. In 1992, due to Officer Payne's hard work, diligence and expertise in gang and narcotic activity, he was selected for a Detective Trainee position at the South Bureau Homicide Division; and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 1995, Officer Payne was promoted to the rank of Detective and assigned to Southeast Area Detectives where he investigated crimes that included Theft, Burglary, Robbery, Battery, Assaults, and Murder; and

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, on December 19, 1999 was promoted to Detective II and further on September 16, 2007, was promoted to supervising Detective III; and

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, during the course of his career received over 90 commendations from citizens, department supervisors and other law enforcement personnel for a number of qualities to include dedication, team work, charitable contributions, mentoring and attention to detail; and

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, has been a very active member of the world famous, winning, Los Angeles Police Department Centurion Football Team as a player, manager and member of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, cherishes his family, mother, father, grandparents, five brothers and 2 sisters, and holds them responsible for his success due to their love, understanding, encouragement, and spiritual guidance; and

WHEREAS, Detective Donald Eric Payne, retired from the Los Angeles Police Department as a supervising Detective III, on September 30, 2018, after 33 years and 9 months of dedicated service:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council does hereby congratulate Detective III Donald Eric Payne for his outstanding and dedicated service to the citizens of the City of Los Angeles and to the Los Angeles Police Department.

PRESENTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



JOE BUSCAINO  
Councilmember, 15<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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SERGEANT II ROBERT S. VON VOIGHT

WHEREAS, Sergeant II Robert S. von Voigt, Serial No. 24307, has served the people of the City of Los Angeles with outstanding professionalism, uncompromised integrity and personal dedication for 35 years as a proud member of the Los Angeles Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant von Voigt, was appointed and became a full time Officer of the Los Angeles Police Department in September 1983. Sergeant von Voigt has demonstrated the highest professional standards of law enforcement in the following assignments: Training Division, Northeast Division Patrol; Hollywood Division Patrol, HBTF, SPU and Vice, D.A.R.E Instructor; Rampart Division Patrol, Vice, and Senior Lead/Community Relations; Hollywood Patrol Supervisor, Community Relations, and Training; Professional Standards Bureau, Internal Affairs and Training; Newton Area Training and culminating his prodigious career with Use of Force Review Division; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant von Voigt served the community, with pride, courage and integrity, during some of the City's most celebrated events and some of their darkest incidents, including the Summer Olympics, Pope's Visit, Northridge Earthquake, LA Riots and the Lakers and Kings championship celebration/parades; planned, organized and participated in many different crime task forces in the Hollywood and Rampart areas; was a Department certified and court qualified narcotics expert; assisted with the planning and organization of various different community events, such as the First Annual Hollywood Area Crime and Business Symposium and the Special Olympics Torch run; assisted the Los Angeles Fire Department with the development and implementation of an Internal Affairs unit and helped train their first investigators; was a graduate of the prestigious Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute; was the Officer in Charge and a contributing writer for the 2015, 2016 and 2017 LAPD Use of Force End of Year report, for which he received the Police Commission Distinguished Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant von Voigt was a certified Department instructor; was a founding member of the Los Angeles Police Autism Support Group; served as a Department Peer member; served as a divisional delegate for the Los Angeles Police Protective League for 25 years; was elected by the active members of the Police Department as a Commissioner of the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pension system and proudly served as a Pension Commissioner for close to 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant von Voigt, was born to his proud parents Fredrick and Frances von Voigt in Bethpage, New York, completed his academic studies at Fullerton Junior College and California State University Fullerton, and currently resides in Chino Hills with his loving wife Mariestel, daughter Alana, and son Robert-Jacob; as well as daughter Melia Rasmussen, son-in-law Shaun and beautiful grand-daughters Minel and Abigail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that by the adoption of this resolution the Los Angeles City Council does hereby commend and congratulate Sergeant II Robert von Voigt for his outstanding service to the citizens of the City of Los Angeles and made our City a better and happier place in which to live and work.

PRESENTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

JOE BUSCAINO  
Councilmember, 15<sup>th</sup> District

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Deputy Chief John Sherman - Serial No. 24894 Los Angeles Police Department – Operations Valley Bureau**

**WHEREAS**, Deputy Chief John Sherman, the Commanding Officer of Operations Valley Bureau, continually oversees all policing services in the San Fernando Valley, and after 33 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Los Angeles and the men and women of the Los Angeles Police Department has decided to retire and finish his career where he was born and raised; and

**WHEREAS**, growing up in Reseda, John Sherman attended Cleveland High School and Cal State University, Northridge where he became a Los Angeles Police Student Worker assigned to the West Valley Station before deciding to enlist in the military and serve his Country as a Sergeant of the United States Marine Corps; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 1, 1985, he was appointed to the Los Angeles Police Academy, where he completed his six months of training and graduated as the top recruit in his Academy class, and proceeded to work as a Patrol officer in Rampart, Devonshire and Hollywood Divisions in patrol, narcotics, gangs, and detectives; and

**WHEREAS**, in March 1990, he was promoted to Sergeant and assigned to Central Patrol and Wilshire Patrol, where he worked supervising patrol officers, gang officers, and a Special Problems Unit and was then assigned as a researcher for the Office of Operations; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Sergeant II he was assigned to the Office of Operations as Aide to the Director, then Assistant Chief Bernard Parks, and in 1994, was selected as an Assistant Watch Commander in Wilshire Division for three years before being appointed to Lieutenant getting assigned to Rampart Patrol Division, then to Internal Affairs as an Advocate, and then appointed to Lieutenant II assigned to Management Services Division, where he participated in re-writing the Department Manual; and

**WHEREAS**, in April 2001, he was appointed to Captain and assigned to commands in Devonshire, Rampart and eventually returned to his home town of Reseda as the Area Commanding Officer in West Valley, where he supervised all policing operations in the southwest San Fernando Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, in October 2007, Chief of Police William Bratton selected Captain Sherman to be the Area Commanding officer of the yet to be opened 21st Police Station of the LAPD where he was responsible for selecting all personnel, acquiring all supplies, furniture, equipment for the new Area Command, mobilizing the community, developing all systems and controls, and implementing and affecting the beginning of all police operations for this command and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 4, 2009, Sherman opened Topanga Division and began all Law Enforcement operations for this new command for nearly two years before being appointed to Commander of Operations Central Bureau, responsible for overseeing deployment and special events in the greater downtown Los Angeles area, during which time included the 59 days of the Occupy LA protest, and two Los Angeles Kings Championships; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Commander, Chief Sherman also served as the Assistant to the Director in the Office of Special Operations for three years where he was responsible for the specialized commands of Custody Services Division, Property Division, and Security Services Division, and also served as the Department's Diplomatic Liaison Officer and maintained liaison with the 101 Consulates in Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Commander, he also served as the Assistant to the Director in the Office of Operations and was responsible for all deployment and special events within the City as well as overtime management; and

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**WHEREAS**, on March 19, 2017, Chief of Police Charlie Beck appointed Sherman to Deputy Chief and assigned him to Operations Valley Bureau - the largest Bureau in the City with eight operational divisions and over 2000 employees; and

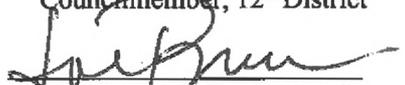
**WHEREAS**, In that role, Chief Sherman has seen two consecutive years of total Part I Crime reduction and a reduction in Homicides and violent crime, and he stepped in to be one of the Unified Incident Commanders for both the La Tuna Fire and the Creek Fire that ravished Los Angeles in late 2017, both fires being two of the largest in recent memory as well as the Creek Fire involved one of the largest evacuations, with over 100,000 people from the Northwest San Fernando Valley being displaced from their homes; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout Chief Sherman's Career, he has remained extremely active and has garnered a reputation as a no-nonsense leader that can motivate his teams to accomplish great goals and has participated in numerous Department activities, including running in the Baker to Vegas relay and a three-time participant in the Police Unity Tour cycling event, and has received extensive training including the Supervisory Leadership Institute, the West Point Leadership Program, Command Development, and PERF's Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP); and

**WHEREAS**, Sherman enjoyed his career in the LAPD while simultaneously raising a family and recently celebrating his 37th wedding anniversary to his High School Sweetheart, Tracey, and plans on spending his retirement traveling with his wife, and spending time with their three adult children and four grandchildren; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that on the 1st day of August, 2018, the City of Los Angeles does hereby express gratitude and appreciation to Deputy Chief John Sherman for his institutional knowledge and hours of devoted, loyal, and invaluable service to the Los Angeles Police Department and our community. The City of Los Angeles congratulates Deputy Chief John Sherman on his retirement and extends him best wishes on all his future endeavors.

Presented by:   
MITCHELL ENGLANDER  
Councilmember, 12<sup>th</sup> District

Seconded by:   
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