RESOLUTION

Sergeant II+3 Jorge Gonzalez

WHEREAS, Sergeant II+3 Jorge Gonzalez joined the Los Angeles Police Department on September 19, 1983 and has steadily risen through the ranks working a variety of assignments during his 38 years of loyal service; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, after completing his probation in Southeast Division, Sergeant Gonzalez worked Communications Division and Newton Division, where he was promoted to Police Officer III and became a CRASH Officer; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, he became a Helicopter Observer at Air Support Division; and during his tenure, Jorge was awarded two Life Saving Police Medals, one for providing critical tactical advice to ground officers and saving a victim during an active shooting incident and a second one for saving the life of a woman who drove her car into the ocean in Marina del Rey; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, Gonzalez was promoted to the rank of Sergeant I and was assigned to Northeast Division as a Patrol Field Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, he transferred to Southwest Division in 1998 to be assigned as a CRASH Sergeant and on August 8, 1998, he was working the night when Officer Filiberto Cuesta was tragically killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Gonzalez, along with his CRASH officers, coordinated the extraction of Officer Cuesta from the active and unsecured scene for transportation to the hospital; and

WHEREAS, all officers were commended for their outstanding acts of bravery; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Gonzalez was selected as an Assistant Watch Commander at Air Support Division and he became a Supervisor/Command Pilot and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant II+3; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Gonzalez's leadership skills, enthusiasm and productivity, made him an asset to the division; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Gonzalez became the Officer-In-Charge of the Air Support Division Support Section and since then, has been responsible for the aircrews' training program, the safety program, and the maintenance program; and

WHEREAS, he plays a crucial role in the divisional aircraft replacement program, ensuring the Department operates functioning and reliable helicopters when patrolling; and

WHEREAS, Gonzalez is an esteemed individual who logged nearly 4,000 flight hours as Observer, 2,500 flight hours as Command Pilot, and earned 320 commendations, including four major commendations and two lifesaving medals; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2022, Sergeant Jorge Gonzalez, Serial Number 24261, ended his exceptional and distinguished career as a trusted City servant with the Los Angeles Police Department.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Los Angeles by adoption of this Resolution congratulates Sergeant II+3 Jorge Gonzalez for his tenure, loyal service, and dedication to the Los Angeles Police Department and commends him for his commitment to duty and professionalism in serving the people of the City of Los Angeles. On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, best wishes are extended to Jorge Gonzalez as he embarks on his new career as a retiree.

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