

RESOLUTION
SERGEANT II SUSAN MICKLES

WHEREAS, Sergeant Susan Mickles was born in East Chicago, Indiana in 1966 to Larry Mickles and Doctor Anne Malone. Sergeant Mickles entered the Los Angeles Police Academy in September 1994; and


WHEREAS, Sergeant Mickles worked in various commands and assignments over 27 years, which included Hollenbeck Division from 1995-1996; Southwest Division from 1996-1998; Northeast Division from 1996-2006, where she advanced to the position of Field Training Officer (FTO) and FTO for Northeast Foot Beat prior to her assignment as a member of the Northeast Vice Unit. She was assigned to Southwest Division from 2006-2008 upon her promotion to Sergeant, and in 2008, when she promoted to Detective, she returned to Northeast Division until 2011. While at Northeast Division she was honored as the Detective of the Quarter (July-September 2009); and

WHEREAS, from 2011-2014, Sergeant Mickles reverted to Sergeant and was assigned to Newton Division. She worked in the Defense Representation Unit from 2014-2015, representing and defending the interests and welfare of officers involved in administrative investigations. Sergeant Mickles worked Emergency Operations Division from 2015-2018, and from 2018-2022, she worked Support Services Group as a Sergeant II, Commander's Aide; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Mickles received over 100 Department and citizen commendations throughout her career for her leadership, teamwork, compassion, and bravery. In addition to her written commendations, her personal medals and ribbons include the Police Meritorious Unit Citation Medal, the Los Angeles Police Department's Lifesaving Medal, the Department's Commendation Ribbon, with bronze star device, the Department's Patrol Service Ribbon, with silver star device, the 2000 Democratic National Convention Ribbon, and the Department 150th Anniversary Ribbon:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council, along with the Mayor, hereby commends SERGEANT II SUSAN MICKLES for her 27 years of unparalleled service to the public and the Los Angeles Police Department and congratulate her on her extensive professional accomplishments. Best wishes for a long and well-deserved retirement.

PRESENTED BY: _____


JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

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SECONDED BY: _____


ALL MEMBERS

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RESOLUTION
LIEUTENANT II JOHN A. RUSSO

WHEREAS, Lieutenant John Russo was born in San Pedro, California in 1967, to Giuseppe and Phyllis Russo. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in History, with honors, from California State University, Northridge; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo served four years in the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Explorer program, where he promoted to the rank of Explorer Captain serving as the Post Commander for Harbor Division and earned Explorer of the Year honors before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in December 1985. He served four years on active duty with the Marine Corps before entering the Los Angeles Police Academy in April 1990; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo worked in various commands and assignments over 32 years, which include 77th Division from 1990-1993 and Wilshire Division from 1993-1998. He promoted to Sergeant and from 1998-2000 was assigned to Van Nuys Division and Devonshire Division as a patrol supervisor. In 2000, he was assigned to West Los Angeles (WLA) Division as a patrol and Bike Unit Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo was assigned as a Sergeant II to the Projects Unit, Internal Affairs Group (IAG) from 2000-2006, as a researcher and later the unit's OIC. He served as the Chief's Aide (Sergeant II), Office of Administrative Services (OAS) from 2006-2012, and holds the distinction of being the only sergeant to serve as the Chief's Aide for the Department's first two female Assistant Chiefs; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo worked in the Mission Division from 2012-2013 upon his promotion to Lieutenant where he served as a Watch Commander, overseeing an operational watch of over 50 officers serving a quarter of a million residents. From 2013-2014, he worked Security Services Division as the OIC, Special Operations Section, supervising over 100 sworn and civilian employees responsible for securing critical infrastructure sites throughout the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo returned to OAS from 2014-2015, as the Chief's Adjutant. From 2015 to 2022, he served as the Adjutant, Administrative Services Bureau, earning a reputation as a subject matter expert with respect to the Department Manual and authored or co-authored significant revisions to the Department Manual; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo served the LAPD Honor Guard for over 30 years. He participated in over 500 events and was the first officer to be designated as the Department's Senior Honor Guard Representative officially assigning him functional command of the unit; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Russo earned over 180 commendations over three decades, being cited for his leadership, investigative skill, and devotion to duty. His personal awards include the Police Commission Unit Citation Medal; Police Meritorious Achievement Medal; Police Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal; Department Commendation Ribbon with gold star device; Department Patrol Service Ribbon with bronze oakleaf cluster device; as well as, numerous other service ribbons:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council, along with the Mayor, hereby commends LIEUTENANT II JOHN A. RUSSO for his extensive accomplishments and unparalleled service to the public and the Los Angeles Police Department, and congratulates him on his professional accomplishments. Best wishes on a well-deserved retirement.

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