

*Board of Supervisors in and for the  
County of Monterey, State of California*

**Resolution No.:**

Adopt a resolution commending **Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** upon his retirement after twenty-nine years of public service with the Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was born in Fresno California and attended the College of the Sequoias Basic Police Academy located in Visalia, Ca in 1995; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was sworn in on January 15, 1996, by Sheriff Norman G. Hicks and served the Monterey County Sheriff's Office under six Monterey County Sheriffs: Norman G. Hicks, Gordon Sonne, Mike Kanalakis, Scott Miller, Steve Bernal and Tina M. Nieto; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** served as Corrections Deputy, Corrections FTO, Patrol Deputy, Patrol FTO, County of Monterey Marijuana Eradication Team (COMMET) Deputy and Narcotics Detective; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was promoted to the rank of Patrol Sergeant in 2007 supervising at all three patrol stations and as the FTO Sergeant supervising the training and education of the next generation of law enforcement officers; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was promoted to the rank of Commander in 2013 having been a Commander in all three Patrol Stations, the Corrections Operations Bureau, Court Services Division and Investigations Bureau, serving as the FTO Commander in both the Patrol and Corrections Bureaus; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** served as the interim nighttime Police Chief for the City of King for 10 months in 2014-2015 following a major corruption investigation within the police department; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was appointed to the rank of Chief Deputy in December of 2022 by Sheriff Tina M. Nieto where he was responsible for all aspects of the Corrections Operations Bureau to include the County Jail, Transportation Services, Five County Courthouses, Work Alternative Program and Jail Program Services for the incarcerated population, and as the Corrections Chief he was also responsible for overseeing the Hernandez Federal Settlement agreement and made great strides to bring the jail into compliance; he also served as Acting Undersheriff for the office on numerous occasions; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** served on the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team for 18 years as a team member, Sniper, Sniper Team Leader, Assistant Team Leader, Team Leader and Team Commander on two different occasions; he also served as the Monterey County Sheriff's Public Safety Dive Team Commander; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** served as a department firearms instructor and armorer for over 15 years, teaching law enforcement officers' tactical rifle, pistol and shotgun courses and served as an Explorer Advisor and Police Activities League (PAL) youth motorcycle instructor for many years teaching and mentoring our community's youth; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** was a Medal of Valor recipient issued by Sheriff Kanalakis for his role in helping restore order as a SWAT team member in a jail take over, the recipient of numerous letters of appreciation, commendations, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Awards, named as Deputy of the Month in 1999 for locating three meth labs and recovering a large amount of stolen property during a commercial burglary investigation, and received a Federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Meritorious Service Unit Citation for work he and his Narcotics Unit did in combating the proliferation of drugs in Monterey County; and

**WHEREAS, Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** is a proud graduate of the 268<sup>th</sup> Class of the FBI National Academy in 2017 and the Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute in 2013.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey on behalf of all residents thereof, acknowledges, commends, and thanks **Chief Deputy Garrett Sanders** for his almost twenty-nine years of exemplary public service to the residents of Monterey County, and as a valued member of the Monterey County Sheriff's Office.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors wishes him, his wife Nelda Sanders and family, success, health, and happiness in all future endeavors, and much joy in this well-deserved retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Valeria Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book \_\_\_\_\_ for the meeting on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Dated:

Valerie Ralph, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Monterey, State of California.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

