

## MEMORANDUM COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE ADMINISTRATION County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Todd Leopold, County Executive Officer By: Chad Fenstermacher, Budget Analyst

DATE: December 18, 2018

SUBJECT: Commendation – Approve a Commendation commending Gerardo "Jerry" Gamez for over 28 years of dedicated public service as an employee of the Placer County Administrative Services Department.

### ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Commendation commending Gerardo "Jerry" Gamez for over twenty-eight years of dedicated public service as an employee of the Placer County Administrative Services Department.

#### BACKGROUND

Jerry Gamez was hired as a Telecommunications Technician in the Telecommunications Division of the Administrative Services Department on June 2, 1990. Jerry rose through the ranks becoming an effective leader and manager. Jerry was appointed as the Director of Administrative Services December 31, 2011. Jerry's dedication to the Administrative Services Department and to the citizens of Placer County has been exemplary. He has performed with professionalism and integrity throughout his career with the County.

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## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

ATTACHMENT Commendation

# COUNTY OF PLACER



Sommendation

IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION RECOGNIZING GERARDO "JERRY" GAMEZ FOR MORE THAN TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AND EXEMPLARY LEADERSHIP

WHEREAS, Jerry Gamez is retiring from the Placer County Administrative Services Department after more than twenty-eight years of service; and

WHEREAS, Jerry began his career with the Administrative Services Department as a Telecommunications Technician and worked his way up through the Department, earning a reputation for his positive demeanor and willingness to be a supportive team player along the way; and

WHEREAS, Jerry was promoted to Telecommunications Supervisor and administered the California Public Utilities Commission grant program, which brought telephone landline services to the rural community of Iowa Hill. In addition, he developed effective working relationships with various service providers to deploy broadband services to underserved communities including Lake Tahoe, North Auburn, Colfax, and Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, as the Information Technology Manager Jerry proved to be a driving force behind improving communications throughout Placer County. Under Jerry's leadership the Countywide Radio Strategic Plan was developed in 2003, followed by the implementation of the Placer Interoperable Radio Communication Systems, which improved communication and support for public safety agencies; and

WHEREAS, after being promoted to Director of the Administrative Services Department Jerry was integral in updating policies that affect Placer County's daily operations, including the Mobile Communications Device Policy, Records Management Policy, Procurement Policy, and Procurement Card Policy. He also made changes to the Revenue Services Division's Superior Court collections program and the County's Transient Occupancy Tax program that resulted in a 25 percent increase in revenues collected by these programs; and

WHEREAS, Jerry has consistently demonstrated his dedication to the Administrative Services. Department, always taking a good-natured approach to even the most challenging situations. Jerry has also shown his commitment to building effective partnerships by working closely with county departments and divisions including the Board of Supervisors, County Office of Emergency Services, County Executive Office, and County Counsel's office, as well as individual staff throughout the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN, that the above COMMENDATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, on behalf of its citizens at a regular meeting held on December 18, 2018. The Placer County Board of Supervisors expresses its gratitude and appreciation for the dedicated service and leadership that Gerardo "Jerry" Gamez brought to the County of Placer and wish him well in his retirement and future endeavors.

Jim Holmes, Supervisor District 3 Chair 2018

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