

# The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Honoring Charles Thomas,  
Battalion Chief, upon his retirement from the  
Contra Costa County Fire Protection District,  
after 34 years of service with Contra Costa  
County.**

Resolution No. 2024-12

**WHEREAS**, Charles Thomas began his service with Contra Costa County as a Firefighter on May 7, 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Thomas was promoted to Fire Captain on April 1, 1999; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Thomas was promoted to Battalion Chief on January 1, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his career, Chief Thomas held various fulfilling roles, including Firefighter, Captain, and Battalion Chief, as well as serving as an EMS instructor and Firefighter Dispatcher, all of which contributed to his service as a public servant; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Thomas is proud of his milestones, including the establishment of the firefighter recruitment team, which created a website and traveled throughout California to promote the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District; and

**WHEREAS**, He has responded to countless emergencies, including delivering a baby over the phone and providing life-saving assistance in vehicle accidents, demonstrating his unwavering commitment to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Thomas's dedication to working in the busiest stations allowed him to gain invaluable experience, knowledge, and wisdom, ensuring the safety of his crews and the citizens he served; and

**WHEREAS**, His impact is reflected in the gratitude expressed by citizens, including a memorable encounter with a former rescue recipient who acknowledged his role in saving their life; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Thomas has been a mentor to many, contributing to the professional development of firefighters and engineers seeking to enhance their skills and knowledge; and

**WHEREAS**, Charles Thomas retired from Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, as Battalion Chief, on August 1, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District does hereby extends its thanks and honors Charles Thomas for his dedicated and outstanding service to Contra Costa County and wishes him well on his retirement from the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District and in all his future endeavors.

*PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors members present this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024.*



**FEDERAL D. GLOVER**  
Chair,  
District V Director



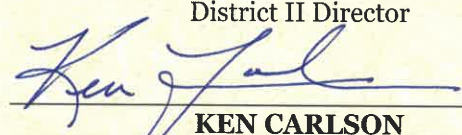
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