

CITY OF COACHELLA  
CALIFORNIA

*Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, after more than 38 years of service, George Torres has announced his retirement from the City of Coachella effective December 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, born in Indio, George grew up in Coachella and is a proud Coachella Valley High School graduate; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to joining the City of Coachella's Public Works Department, George was a volunteer firefighter at Coachella Fire Station No. 79 from 1981-2015, climbing the ladder to lieutenant; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 21, 1983, George Torres started work for the Public Works Department Streets Division. He also climbed the ladder here moving from Senior Maintenance Worker to Streets Supervisor, and then Street Superintendent/Emergency Services Coordinator. Throughout his tenure he has lead the department through flash flood responses and most recently a local emergency due to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 1, 2021, he was recognized as a Hometown Hero and joins his mother Mary Lou Torres who has also been honored a City Hometown Hero; and

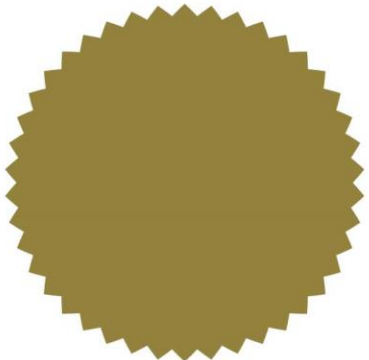

**WHEREAS**, George is a father of five, grandfather of 14, and a great-grandfather. After retiring, he plans to focus on health and family.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor of the City of Coachella, by the power vested in me, do hereby recognize

*George Torres*

and urge all citizens of the City of Coachella in recognizing his many successes and congratulate him on his retirement.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Coachella, California to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

  
  
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Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor  
City of Coachella, California