

Proclamation,

WHEREAS, William "Bill" B. Pattison, Jr., announced his retirement from the City of Coachella effective December 2020, after spending 10 of his 28 years of public service in Coachella; and

WHEREAS, Bill joined the City as Finance Director on August 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS, he has a long history in government, having previously worked as the Finance Director for the City of Hemet from 2000 to 2007, and as an Assistant Town Manager for the Town of Apple Valley from 2007 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, he has a master's degree in business administration from California State University, San Bernardino, and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in California; and

WHEREAS, being a CPA, Bill was tasked with bringing the City current on audits, and righting the City's fiscal ship, where the City has seen its reserves grow from \$6.5 million to \$16.5 million; and

WHEREAS, in January 2017, Bill was appointed to the position of City Manager; and

WHEREAS, under Bill's leadership, the City's accomplishments include the new Coachella Library, the expansion and remodel of the Senior Center, the revitalization of the Sixth Street corridor, and most recently the City was awarded \$3.19 million by California's Natural Resources Agency for a \$5 million Urban Greening Project; and

WHEREAS, although Bill retired in December 2020, he stayed on as Interim City Manager during the recruitment for his replacement until June 4, 2021; and

WHEREAS, during his retirement, Bill plans to stay active in the community, and enjoy the beach during the summer months; and

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

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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 14th day of July 2021.

Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor City of Coachella, California