

**WHEREAS,** Candelaria was raised in Oasis, California, and graduated from Coachella Valley High School. She was raised in a large family by a mother who was a housewife and a father who was a farm worker. She frequently visited Sinaloa, Mexico as a child to visit her family and enjoyed helping with the farm animals and watching family members make homemade cheese.

**WHEREAS**, Candelaria Munoz began working for the Riverside County Sheriff's Department Palm Desert Station October 2001 as an Office Assistant. In February 2004 she was promoted to Community Service Officer II where she worked in the patrol division, crime prevention, and traffic, serving the cities of Rancho Mirage, Palm Desert, and Indian Wells.

**WHEREAS**, in April 2014 she transferred to Thermal Station where she worked in the city of La Quinta in the patrol division, crime prevention, and traffic; and

WHEREAS, in December 2023 she was assigned to the city of Coachella Tobacco Grant Program where she focused on anti-tobacco outreach and education of school aged children and adults. She conducted tobacco compliance inspections on all businesses that sell tobacco products in the city of Coachella and participated in city events where she gave information on the harm of smoking and vaping; and

WHEREAS, on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Candelaria retired from the Riverside County Sheriff Department and looks forward to traveling, visiting her son, daughter, grandkids, and sisters who live out of town; and

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

## Candelaria Munoz

and urge all citizens of the City of Coachella to congratulate Candelaria Munoz on her 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2024.

Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor City of Coachella, California

