

WHEREAS, Sergeant Tomas Anderson was born at the March Air Force Base in Riverside California, and was raised by his mother who worked as a social worker, and his father who served and retired from the United States Airforce, his interest in aircraft and service was born; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Thomas Anderson served in the United States Army from July 1996 to February 2005 as an ammunition specialist, attended basic training in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, attended Advanced Individual Training at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama and stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington State, He was deployed to Germany, Korea, and Iraq from 2003 to 2004 for Operation Iraq Freedom; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Thomas Anderson was promoted to Sergeant on December 19, 2019, and transferred to the Thermal Sheriff's Station, serving the City of Coachella and adjoining areas as a patrol supervisor, station training supervisor, field training supervisor, and served as the Coachella Community Action Team supervisor from January 12, 2023, to October 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, On October 3, 2024, Sergeant Thomas Anderson will now be transferred to the Sheriff's Emergency Operations Division, specifically the Aviation Unit, fulfilling a long-time ambition to patrol and serve the communities of Riverside County to include the City of Coachella from the air; and

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

## Tomas Anderson

and urge all citizens of the City of Coachella to express gratitude on his current role as the Sheriff's Coachella Community Action Team Supervisor and wish him luck as he transfers to the Sheriff's Emergency Operations Divisions, Aviation Unit.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Coachella, California to be affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

Steven A. Hernandez, Mayor

City of Coachella, California