

*City of Folsom Resolution of Commendation
Honoring
The Folsom Telegraph
On the Occasion of its 170th Anniversary and
Distinction as Folsom's Oldest Business*

WHEREAS, the Folsom Telegraph stands as a pillar of local journalism, holding the prestigious distinction of being the oldest newspaper in Sacramento County and the fourth oldest weekly publication in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, for 170 years, the Folsom Telegraph has served as the steadfast chronicler of our community's story, evolving alongside the city it calls home; and

WHEREAS, the publication traces its storied roots back to March 1856, when it was founded as the Granite Journal by surgeon Dr. L. Bradley, beginning a legacy of service that has spanned nearly two centuries; and

WHEREAS, the Folsom Telegraph has shown remarkable resilience through the decades, transitioning from a hand-set operation in a basement at Sutter and Wool Streets to a modern multimedia organization; and

WHEREAS, having once been known as the "Wandering Press" due to its many early locations and name changes—including the Folsom Dispatch, Mooney's Folsom, and the Folsom Semi-Weekly Telegraph—it ultimately found its permanent identity as the definitive voice of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, the Folsom Telegraph has masterfully navigated the tides of technological change, moving from manual typesetting and the Goss Urbanite offset press to the digital frontier of the 1990s and the robust online presence it maintains today; and

WHEREAS, the Folsom Telegraph continues to uphold the highest standards of community journalism, providing residents with accurate news, features, and insights that bind our city together.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Justin Raithel, Mayor of the City of Folsom, on behalf of the Folsom City Council and our residents, do hereby commend and congratulate The Folsom Telegraph for its 170 years of dedicated service and its enduring legacy as the Oldest Business in Folsom. We thank the staff, past and present, for their commitment to telling Folsom's story.

COMMENDED this 10th day of March 2026.

Justin Raithel, MAYOR

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