

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-92**A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBANY CITY COUNCIL
IN HONOR OF ALBANY POLICE CHIEF MICHAEL MCQUISTON
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston commenced his service as an Albany Police Officer on December 26, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on October 5, 1993; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant on November 12, 2002; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston was promoted to the rank of Police Chief on July 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston has received numerous accolades, awards, commendations and recognitions throughout his career, including being selected as the department's Officer of the Year, receiving the department's Leadership Ribbon, and being the recipient of one of the departments highest honors, the Distinguished Action Medal with "Valor" for actions taken in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston placed a high priority on education and during his career graduated from the FBI National Academy, Senior Management Institute for Police, sponsored by the Police Executive Research Forum, obtained his Bachelor's Degree from St. Mary's College of California, and earned his Master's Degree from the University of California Irvine; and

WHEREAS, Michael McQuiston established a staff development program to encourage members of the agency to improve themselves by attending leadership programs and other training courses that enriched their experiences and helped to develop their talents, performance and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, throughout his law enforcement career, Michael McQuiston has recognized the importance of community oriented policing and established numerous programs to help improve the relations of the police department with the community. Some of these programs include, Coffee with the Cops, Safety Palooza, Neighborhood Watch, participation in National Night Out and a social media presence on Facebook; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston met with senior administration officials at the White House to
2 discuss new ideas to enhance public trust and confidence in the justice system without compromising
3 public safety; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston showed exceptional leadership by serving as the President of
5 the Alameda County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff's Association, being an active member of the Albany
6 Rotary Club, and serving as a member of the Albany Y Board of Managers; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston served as Executive Director of the Albany Police Activities
8 League supporting a variety of programs for the youth of our community and encouraging Albany Police
9 officers to develop and implement the Albany Police Youth Academy, the Youth Leadership Council,
10 and youth basketball program; and

11 **WHEREAS**, throughout his law enforcement career, Michael McQuiston has performed a
12 myriad of tasks important to the success of the organization; including establishing the department's first
13 succession plan and first strategic plan, and initiated several information technology projects that helped
14 to bring the department in-line with current technology standards and practices; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston worked to improve the profession by developing core
16 curriculum for the Administration of Justice program at Las Positas College and currently teaches a
17 Police Ethics and Leadership course at the College; and

18 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston has served the City of Albany and the Albany Police
19 Department in a professional, dedicated and loyal manner; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Michael McQuiston, after 29 ½ years of faithful service, will retire from the
21 Albany Police Department on July 4, 2018.

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Albany City Council wishes to express its
23 gratitude and appreciation for Chief Michael McQuiston's many years of dedicated service and personal
24 sacrifice for the safety of our community, and wish him the best in his retirement.
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PEGGY MCQUAID, MAYOR