

PROCLAMATION Honoring Marana Police Sergeant Steve Johnson

WHEREAS, after serving 20 years in the United States Air Force, Steve Johnson retired and was hired by the Marana Police Department on August 17, 1996. He quickly moved up in the organization, being promoted to Sergeant in July 1999. Throughout his career, Sgt. Johnson has demonstrated an exceptional degree of good judgment, initiative and competence. He served in many roles as a supervisor, including as the Emergency Management/Homeland Security Coordinator, and he supervised the Internal Affairs Unit, Crime Scene Unit, and Training Unit; and

WHEREAS, Steve was responsible for successfully coordinating the Town's Emergency Response Plan with Federal, State, County, and local jurisdictions, and spearheaded the Town Council's resolution and adoption of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) for major events and disasters. He was responsible for training Town personnel in the Incident Command System and was the Marana Police Department's Liaison Officer for the Arizona Counter Terrorism Information Center; and

WHEREAS, as the Emergency Management/Homeland Security Coordinator Steve was responsible for writing several grants, which resulted in the Town receiving over \$200,000 in funding and equipment. As the Special Events Coordinator, he was responsible for several Town events to include El Tour De Tucson, 4th of July Star Spangled Spectacular, and Founders Day; ensuring these events sustained a safe environment. Between 2007 and 2014, Sgt. Johnson served as the ICS Planning Chief for the Accenture Matchplay Golf Championship. This involved several months of planning and coordinating resources for the Town, the police department, and outside agencies; and

WHEREAS, over his career Sgt. Johnson has received several certificates and accolades. He has received the 2005 Sons of the American Revolution Outstanding Officer of the Year award, the Chief's Medal of Merit, Chief's Citation of Excellence, Lifesaving award, and the Department's Distinguished Service Medal. This past year Steve was assigned as the Department's (First Shirt) Sergeant overseeing many operational needs within the organization.

WHEREAS, Steve enjoys his time away from the police department by spending time with his family – his wife Teresa, daughters Ryann and Breeana, his son Steven Jr, and his grandchildren. He enjoys an occasional nap at home, and sometimes at work.

NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved, Mayor Honea and the Marana Town Council commend and thank Sgt. Steve Johnson for his lengthy career in public service and his dedication to the Marana community, and urge its citizens join them in congratulating him on his retirement.

Dated this 6th day of September 2022.

ATTEST:

David L. Udall, Interim Town Clerk



Ed Honea, Mayor