



COMMENDATION OF
THE COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL
HONORING

SHERIFF JIM McDONNELL
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE
CITY OF COMMERCE

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell is a Boston native born to immigrant parents who grew up in a working class neighborhood, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from St. Anselm College and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Southern California; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell graduated from the Los Angeles Police Academy in 1981 and served for 29 years at the Los Angeles Police Department, where he held every rank from Police Officer to second-in-command under Chief Bill Bratton and received the Medal of Valor, the highest honor for bravery in the department; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell helped enact much needed reforms at the LAPD, including instilling a community-based policing effort that has become a model for law enforcement agencies throughout the country; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell served as the Chief of Police for the Long Beach Police Department, where he implemented many new initiatives and reforms that resulted in safer communities and improved community relations; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell, with more than three decades of dedicated law enforcement experience, became the 32nd Sheriff of Los Angeles County on December 1, 2014, immediately bringing much needed reforms and respectability to the office; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell has been committed to ensuring that residents and businesses in the City of Commerce feel safe and secure in their own neighborhoods and has effectively implemented prevention-oriented strategies that address the root causes of crime, which includes mental illness, homelessness and the challenges facing at-risk youth.; and

Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell is a proven and respected voice in local, state, and national criminal justice organizations, having served as President of the Los Angeles County Police Chiefs' Association, President of the California Peace Officers' Association, a member of the California Commission on Peace Officers' Standards & Training, and a board member of the Peace Officers' Association of Los Angeles County; and


Whereas, Sheriff Jim McDonnell has shown remarkable leadership of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for which his bravery and commitment to keeping Commerce and Los Angeles County safe is greatly admired:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COMMERCE CITY COUNCIL COMMENDS SHERIFF JIM McDONNELL FOR HIS COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITY OF COMMERCE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

Signed this 16th day of October 2018.

ATTEST:


Lena Shumway
City Clerk


Hugo A. Argumedo
Mayor