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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL

Recognizing Second District Veteran of the Year Honoree

Veterans Day originated as Armistice Day on November 11, 1918, at the end of the First World War. In 1926, Congress adopted a resolution for an annual observance, and in 1938, November 11th became a national holiday in the United States (U.S.) of America. Since then, this holiday has served as a day to honor our nation’s veterans and reflect on their sacrifice and heroism. In 1954, Congress amended the Act of 1938 by inserting the word ‘Veterans’ and striking out the word ‘Armistice,’ and thus November 11th became a day to honor all American veterans.

This year, the Second Supervisorial District celebrates and honors our veterans for their patriotism and selfless sacrifice for our country and its people. As such, the 2022 Veteran of the Year is George Casillas.

George Casillas is the founder and Executive Director of the national nonprofit, Veterans Stand Together (VST), which has a branch located in the Second District. After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps and transitioning into an instructor role at a security firm, Mr. Casillas noticed a knowledge gap in the veteran community related to veteran services and resources. This observation led him to organize VST to empower veterans through cooperation, support and advocacy. Currently, there are six VST offices across the nation offering mental health services, vocational programs, and housing assistance to veterans. For his service to our country and his continued advocacy for veterans, George Casillas is the 2022 Second District Veteran of the Year Honoree.

I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

In honor of Veterans Day 2022, acknowledge and recognize the contributions of George Casillas for his service to the United States of America and advocacy for the veteran

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