RESOLUTION NO. 2024-152

RESOLUTION FOR OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS

On Tuesday, October 8, 2024, on motion of Supervisor Baca, Jr., duly seconded by Supervisor Hagman and carried, the following resolution is adopted by the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State of California.

WHEREAS, the residents of San Bernardino County (County) have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and sacrifices of those who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our residents; and

WHEREAS, the County seeks to honor persons who have made countless sacrifices for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, Veterans continue to serve the community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veterans Service Officers to help former service members access federal benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually; and an estimated 20% increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future; and

WHEREAS, studies indicate that 44-72% of service members experience high levels of stress during the transition from military to civilian life; and active military service members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide; and

WHEREAS, County appreciates the sacrifices of its United States military personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, does hereby resolve that from November 4, through November 11, 2024, and the week leading up to Veterans Day and each year thereafter, a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifices of our men and women in uniform transitioning from active service. In observance of Operation Green Light, San Bernardino County encourages its residents to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying green lights in a window of their business or residence from November 4, through November 11, 2024, and the week leading up to Veterans Day each year thereafter.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State of California, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS: Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman,

Joe Baca, Jr.

NOES: SUPERVISORS: None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.)

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I, LYNNA MONELL, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of San Bernardino County, State of California, hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the record of the action taken by the Board of Supervisors, by vote of the members present, as the same appears in the Official Minutes of said Board at its meeting of October 8, 2024. Item #39 MBA

LYNNA MONELL OF SUPER Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By Deputy