



**MEMORANDUM  
SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION  
County of Placer**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

DATE: January 8, 2019

FROM: Devon Bell, Sheriff-Coroner-Marshal

SUBJECT: **Commendation – Approve Commendation commending Paul Nicholas for 23 years of dedicated public service as an employee of the Placer County Sheriff's Office**

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve a Commendation commending Sergeant Paul Nicholas for twenty-three years of dedicated public service as an employee of the Placer County Sheriff's Office.

**BACKGROUND**

Paul Nicholas was hired as a Deputy Sheriff and held assignments in Corrections, Patrol, and at the North Lake Tahoe Station. He also held a number of extra assignments, demonstrating his dedication to the job. Sergeant Nicholas is known for passion for training, making sure his deputies had the tools to make it home safe after every shift. Sergeant Nicholas has performed with professionalism and conscientious attention to duty throughout his career.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

**IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION RECOGNIZING PAUL NICHOLAS FOR TWENTY-THREE YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE PLACER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**WHEREAS**, Paul Nicholas is retiring from the County of Placer, Office of the Sheriff after serving that agency and the citizens of this County for twenty-three years; and

**WHEREAS**, Paul began his employment as a Deputy Sheriff, serving in Corrections, Patrol, and the North Lake Tahoe Station. He also held a number of special assignments, to include Rangemaster and the Sheriff's Special Enforcement Team; and

**WHEREAS**, Paul's tactical experience and passion for training made him a valuable asset as an instructor in use of force and related weapons and defensive tactics. His tenacity made him an extremely effective street cop who did not shy away from high risk incidents; and

**WHEREAS**, Paul promoted to the rank of Sergeant and continued to serve with leadership and integrity. Sergeant Nicholas received the Meritorious Service Medal for his off-duty action involving a potentially dangerous subject on the field during a Colfax High School football game. With no back up or police equipment, Paul acted decisively, subduing the violent subject and ending the threat; and

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Paul Nicholas' dedication to the Office of the Sheriff and to the citizens of the community has been exemplary. He has performed with professionalism and conscientious attention to duty throughout his career.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN** that the above COMMENDATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held January 8, 2019, on behalf of the citizens of Placer County. The Board of Supervisors acknowledge with great appreciation, the exceptional service of Paul Nicholas and wish him well in his retirement and future pursuits.

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