

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Jack Duran, Supervisor District 1

**DATE:** July 12, 2011

**SUBJECT: COMMENDATION** – Present a Commendation to Master Sergeant William “Bill” D. Clark to congratulate him on his retirement from a long and distinguished career of over 23 years in the United States Air Force Reserve with thanks for a lifetime of dedication to promote life and liberty in support of our great Nation.

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Present a Commendation to Master Sergeant William “Bill” D. Clark to congratulate him on his retirement from a long and distinguished career of over 23 years in the United States Air Force Reserve with thanks for a lifetime of dedication to promote life and liberty in support of our great Nation.

**BACKGROUND**

Master Sergeant Clark began his career on March 25, 1988. He served as a C-5 Galaxy Crew Chief, Flying Crew Chief, Flying Crew Chief Instructor and as a Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Flying Crew Chief Program. He was activated in multiple military duties during his career including Panama, Desert Shield, Desert Storm and after 9-11. He accumulated over 5000 hours of flight time on the C-5 Galaxy during his career.

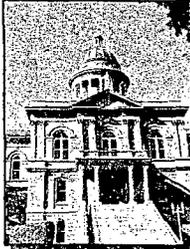
Master Sergeant Clark considers his most noted duty as his deployment to Iraq in 2009. Master Sergeant Clark was assigned as the First Sergeant of the 506<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron at Forward Operating Base Warrior. He volunteered to accompany his squadron in a combat tour to Kirkut Regional Air Base, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. As a result of his excellent leadership, Master Sergeant Clark was selected as the First Sergeant of the Year in 2009.

On June 6, 2011, Master Sergeant Clark retired from his long and distinguished career in the Air Force Reserve. He continues to serve the public as a full-time Police Officer for the City of Roseville.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None

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**Placer**  
Board of Supervisors



COMMENDATION

In the matter of a Commendation congratulating Master Sergeant William "Bill" D. Clark on his retirement from the United States Air Force Reserve on June 6, 2011 after 23 years of service to our great Nation.

WHEREAS, Master Sergeant William "Bill" D. Clark enlisted in the Air Force Reserve on March 25, 1988 at the age of 19; and

WHEREAS, during his long and distinguished career he served as a C-5 Galaxy Crew Chief, Flying Crew Chief, Flying Crew Chief Instructor and as a Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Flying Crew Chief Program; and

WHEREAS, his performance earned him steady promotions through the ranks from Airman First Class - August 1988; Senior Airman/Buck Sergeant - April 1990; Staff Sergeant - August 1992; Technical Sergeant - May 1994; Master Sergeant - August 2007 and First Sergeant - December 2007; and

WHEREAS, he has been awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal with 1 Device; Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device; Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with 5 Devices; National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Iraqi Campaign Medal with 2 Service Stars; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal (GWOTSM); the Air Force Overseas Ribbon Short Tour; the Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border; and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Bronze Hourglass and "M" Device; and

WHEREAS, Master Sergeant Clark was activated in multiple military duties during his career including Panama, Desert Shield, Desert Storm and after 9-11. He accumulated over 5000 hours of flight time on the C-5 Galaxy during his career. He considers his most noted duty was his deployment to Iraq in 2009. Master Sergeant Clark was assigned as the First Sergeant of the 506<sup>th</sup> Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron at the Forward Operating Base Warrior. He volunteered to accompany his squadron in a combat tour to Kirkut Regional Air Base, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His bravery during that mission epitomized the First Sergeant ethos of "Where they go, I go!"; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his excellent leadership, Master Sergeant Clark was selected as the First Sergeant of the Year in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Master Sergeant Clark's inspiration to serve in the United States Armed Forces was generated through his family heritage with links to military service dating back to the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, his brother, father and grandfather all served in the Army. After serving his active duty as a Sergeant Major, his father retired from the Army Civil Service in 2005 with over 30 years of combined service. His grandfather, served with the 5<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment in the Pacific theater during WWII. One of his unit's responsibilities was to liberate small Philippines villages from Japanese occupation which resulted in saving many families including that of Master Sergeant Clark's wife's mother, Josie. Through the actions of his grandfather and others like him, Master Sergeant Clark discovered first-hand the impact one person can have on future generations; and

WHEREAS, Master Sergeant Clark resides in Roseville with his wife Tricia and three sons Danny, nine years old; Morgan six years old and James two years old. He continues to serve the public as a Police Officer for the City of Roseville.

Now, Therefore, Let It Be Known That, the Placer County Board of Supervisors congratulates Master Sergeant William "Bill" D. Clark on his long and distinguished career in the United States Air Force Reserve and thanks him for a lifetime of dedication to promote life and liberty in support of our great Nation through his selfless service in the United States Armed Forces.

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