



**WHEREAS,** Rainer Navarro is a veteran of the United States Navy and has been an active volunteer in the City of Santa Rosa serving as a member of the Board of Directors for the CHOPS Teen Club, Social Advocates for Youth, Sonoma County Continuum of Care, and the Santa Rosa Bible Church, along with volunteering for the Redwood Gospel Mission, Special Olympics and Roseland Unified School District; and

**WHEREAS,** Rainer began his career as an officer with the Santa Rosa Police Department in 1992, and whose assignments included Field Training Officer, Gang Crimes Detective and Violent Crimes Detective; and

**WHEREAS,** he was promoted to Sergeant in 2006 and served in the Investigations Bureau supervising the Gang Investigations Section, where he implemented and instructed the Gang Resistance, Education, and Training Program for elementary schools from 2011-2019; and was promoted to Lieutenant in 2012 where he served as Watch Commander, supervising the Traffic and Special Events Bureau; and

**WHEREAS,** promoting to Captain in 2015, he supervised both the Special Services Division and the Field Services Division over the next four years, and also served in the City's Emergency Operations Center during the 2017 Tubbs fire; and

**WHEREAS,** he was promoted to Chief of Police in August of 2019; and has unwaveringly served the residents of the City of Santa Rosa for 30 years, with a commitment to making Santa Rosa a safe place to live, work, and play; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2020, he led the department through several large-scale emergencies, including the Glass Fire, national protests that greatly impacted Santa Rosa, and one of the worst health emergencies this county has ever experienced with the COVID-19 pandemic, and during his tenure, he created the Chief's Community Ambassador Team and the inRESPONSE mental health team.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** I, Chris Rogers, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby recognize and thank Rainer Navarro for his dedication, tireless efforts, loyalty, knowledge, and leadership throughout his career and for providing for the safety and quality of life for the citizens in the City of Santa Rosa. Chief Navarro will be greatly missed by the City Council, and the entire City Staff, as well as the citizens of Santa Rosa; together we wish a happy and fulfilling retirement to

**RAINER "RAY" NAVARRO**

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Mayor Chris Rogers  
May 10, 2022