

MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION FOR SUPERVISOR FRED STUMP

WHEREAS, Fred and Patty Stump have lived in Mono County since 1976, calling the communities of June Lake, Lee Vining, and now Crowley Lake their home and raising their two sons, Ben and Brian, here; and

WHEREAS, Fred is a career firefighter, working for agencies including the United States Forest Service and California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection until his retirement in 2006; serving as Chief of the Long Valley Fire Protection District from 2000 to 2012, and continuing to mentor the department's current staff and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, Fred joined the Mono County Board of Supervisors in 2013, representing District 2, was re-elected to a second term in 2016, and chaired the Board in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Fred's appointment to and service on numerous boards and commissions, including the Local Transportation Commission, Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District, Local Agency Formation Commission, Airport Land Use Commission, Owens Valley Groundwater Authority, Tri-Valley Groundwater Management District, and Town-County Liaison Committee, benefitted the county and the region; and

WHEREAS, Fred established himself as a rational, levelheaded decision maker who is supportive and respectful of county staff and board colleagues, who appreciate his willingness to communicate ahead of meetings, ask questions, seek clarifications, and explain the reasons for his actions and votes; and

WHEREAS, Fred's commitment to District 2 communities and his willingness to go the extra mile for his constituents were never more evident than in the February 2015 Round Fire, during which he led from the front lines of the response to fight the fire and help Swall Meadows residents recover; and

WHEREAS, Fred's unwavering dedication to providing quality county-wide emergency medical services led to improvements in Mono County's EMS program, and to an innovative partnership with the White Mountain Fire Protection District to ensure professional and timely care and response for Tri-Valley residents; and

WHEREAS, Fred's advocacy on behalf of his constituents took him to the highest reaches of the state's regulatory authorities, including numerous California Public Utilities Commission meetings and hearings; and

WHEREAS, Fred has worked to protect the natural resources of District 2; he jumped into the deep end of California's groundwater regulation legislation, the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, and played a key role in the formation of the Owens Valley Groundwater Authority, serving as the founding chair of the Authority's board; and

WHEREAS, Fred also played an informal role as the board therapist (he holds an advanced degree in counseling), Zen master and medic, with an ibuprofen, kind word, and bad pun at the ready; these caregiving skills will no doubt serve him well when spending more time with his grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mono County Board of Supervisors proclaims its sincere appreciation for Supervisor Fred Stump's dedication and service to the people of Mono County.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Board wishes Fred much happiness in the next chapter of his life.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of December 2020, by the Mono County Board of Supervisors.

Jennifer Kreitz, Supervisor District #1

Bob Gardner, Supervisor District #3

John Peters, Supervisor District #4

Stacy Corless, Supervisor District #5