



## Proclamation

### OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing Don Spear Retiring after 30 Years of Public Service with El Dorado County

**Whereas**, on November 14, 1986 Don Spear began his career with the El Dorado County Transportation Department as a Highway Maintenance Worker I. Over the years his roles and responsibilities increased and in 2013, he promoted to Deputy Director of Transportation, Maintenance and Operations Unit; and,

**Whereas**, Don fostered a supportive environment for his staff and used their experience effectively. He has provided strong leadership with a clear sense of direction. Utilizing the knowledge gained from years of experience, Don guided the Maintenance and Operations Unit in a positive and productive manner; and,

**Whereas**, the highlights of Don's many contributions to the Transportation Department and our community include the following:

- Don was instrumental in modernizing equipment and the expansion of the Fleet Services Shop.
- He frequently assisted the Parks Division with inspections and maintenance on the El Dorado Trail including the Weber Creek Bridge repair project.
- Don has frequently been involved in the maintenance of the Rubicon Trail by providing the crew for three successful helicopter operations. Coordinating these projects was no small task. Don was organized and well prepared and those working with him were impressed with Don's efficient use of manpower and equipment.
- In 2008, he received an award from the American Public Works Association for managing the White Meadow Road slip out repair project.
- In 2014, when the King Fire scorched over 97,000 acres in El Dorado County, Don assisted with the emergency response efforts and was project manager for the emergency road repairs for Wentworth Springs and White Meadow Roads.
- Representing the Transportation Department, Don has regularly participated in the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council's Wildfire Tabletop Evacuation Drill.
- In 2016, he was recognized by the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council for his outstanding service and dedication to the community.

**Whereas**, Don is a dedicated community member and has regularly attended the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council's meetings bringing valuable information and updates on road projects and always welcoming questions and comments. Over the years he has participated in numerous annual activities that help reduce fire danger in the area such as the Community Clean Up, Trestle-Trail Clean Up and Cemetery Clean Up. Recently, the GFFSC unanimously voted to accept Don Spear as an Honorary Member.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of Supervisors, of the County of El Dorado, does, with great appreciation, acknowledge Don Spear for his many years of dedicated public service and valuable contributions to the community.

**Passed and adopted**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

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John Hidahl, District I

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Attest:  
James S. Mitrison  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Shiva Frentzen, Chair, Board of Supervisors