

Resolution No. 2024-

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING JOHN H. ALDRIDGE FOR HIS TENURE AS COMMANDER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND FOR HIS SERVICE TO OUR NATION AFTER 20 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

WHEREAS, John H. Aldridge was elected commander of the American Legion Department of California during the organization's annual convention, June 23-25, 2023. Chartered by Congress in 1919, the American Legion is the nation's largest veterans service organization, and its Department of California is dedicated to serving the approximately two million veterans living in communities across the Golden State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aldridge was born and raised in Philadelphia, PA, and upon graduation from high school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force on October 31, 1974. Following six years as a Fuels Specialist, he transitioned to become an Air Passengers Specialist. After finishing his technical training at Sheppard Air Force Base, he was assigned to Travis Air Force Base Military Airlift Command in Fairfield, CA; and

WHEREAS, in 1987, while stationed at Travis Air Force Base, Mr. Aldridge joined the American Legion, Post 182 in Suisun City. In 1990, he was chosen for a special duty assignment at Philadelphia International Airport, overseeing passenger operations; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement from the Air Force in 1994, Mr. Aldridge continued to work in the aviation industry and managed an Air Terminal Security contract at Travis Air Force Base. He also worked for the Department of Defense in the air transportation field. He retired from civilian government employment in 2016. Among his numerous degrees, he holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Technical Management with a focus on airports and is a graduate of the National Legion College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aldridge is a lifetime member of the American Legion, serving with distinction in various roles, including Commander and Adjutant for Post 182, Commander and Chaplain for the "Mighty" Fifth District, and Department Chaplain for four terms. He later transferred his Legion membership to Yountville Veterans Home Post 306 to support members there with Legion programs and projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes John H. Aldridge for his service and dedication to advancing the programs of the American Legion in California and for his service to our nation after 20 years in the United States Air Force.

Dated this 25th day of June, 2024

MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
BILL EMLLEN, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk