

# Solano County

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# Agenda Submittal

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Type: Presentation Department: Veteran Services Office
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**Agenda date:** 10/23/2018 **Final action:** 10/23/2018

Title: Receive a presentation by the Department of Veteran Services on the selection of William Davis

as "Employee of the Month" for November 2018

**Governing body:** Board of Supervisors

District: All

Attachments: 1. Minute Order

Date Ver. Action By Action Result

10/23/2018 1 Board of Supervisors Received

Published Notice Required? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_X \_\_\_ Public Hearing Required? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_X

#### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board receive a presentation by the Department of Veteran Services on the selection of William Davis as the November 2018 "Employee of the Month," making him eligible to use the parking space designated for this program.

#### **SUMMARY:**

On September 13, 2005, the Board of Supervisors established the County Government Center "Employee of the Month" parking program for County employees. The Department of Veteran Services has been designed to select an employee for November 2018 and has selected William Davis, Veteran's Benefits Counselor.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Mr. Davis started with the County Veteran Service Office (CVSO) in June 2017 as a volunteer, working to streamline the department's filing system and posting awards for veterans. He served as a Veteran Service Representative in the Yountville Veterans Home for many years prior to coming to Solano County. In July 2018, after a year of volunteering with the CVSO, he was hired on as a part-time Veteran Services Counselor. Since that time, Mr. Davis has done an outstanding job meeting with local veterans, advocating on their behalf, filing claims and posting awards. Because of his efforts, and the contributions of all CVSO staff, the CVSO claim activity has increased to the highest level in the department's history. Mr. Davis is an excellent researcher and has extensive knowledge of the claims and benefits process, specifically with the Department of Veteran Affairs - making him especially helpful in assisting junior Veteran Benefit Counselors manage difficult and / or complex claims. Because of Mr. Davis, the CVSO is more productive, more efficient and more responsive to assisting the needs of our veteran clients and their families.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this designation. The costs associated with preparing the agenda

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item are nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

## **ALTERNATIVES**:

The Board could elect to name someone else as the Employee of the Month or dissolve the award program; however, these alternatives are not consistent with the Board's "Employee of the Month Parking" program.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

## **CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION