

# Solano County

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# **Legislation Text**

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Approve a plaque of appreciation honoring Karl Phillipps, Supervising Welfare Fraud Investigator, upon his retirement from the Department of Health & Social Services, Special Investigations Bureau with over 19 years of distinguished service to Solano County

Published Notice Required?	Yes _	No <u>_X</u>
Public Hearing Required?	Yes _	No <u>_X</u> _

## **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Health and Social Services (H&SS) recommends that the Board approve a plaque of appreciation honoring Karl Phillipps, Supervising Welfare Fraud Investigator, upon his retirement from the Special Investigations Bureau (SIB), with over 19 years of dedicated service to Solano County.

## **SUMMARY/ DISCUSSION:**

Supervising Investigator Phillipps began his career as a Security Police Bomb Dog Handler with the United States Air Force. After 4 years he was promoted to a Special Agent for the Office of Special Investigations (OSI) where he served honorably for 16 years. Mr. Phillipps retired from the Air Force after 20 years of distinguished service.

Supervising Investigator Phillipps was hired by Solano County on August 16, 1999 as a Welfare Fraud Investigator II in the Department of Health and Social Services. During his tenure as an Investigator, he worked all types of welfare fraud cases including the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to kids (CalWORKs), CalFresh (known federally as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP), General Assistance, and Childcare Fraud. Mr. Phillipps was promoted to Supervising Welfare Fraud Investigator on August 8, 2010. Supervising Investigator Phillipps has faithfully protected the integrity of the public assistance programs investigating and preventing the fraudulent receipt of program funds.

Supervising Investigator Phillipps has provided statewide training on welfare fraud investigations and has served on the Deputy Sheriffs Association Board for 4 years and the California Welfare Fraud Investigators Association Board for 14 years, most recently serving as the Vice President.

# **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The costs associated with preparing the agenda item are nominal and absorbed by the Department's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget. The cost associated with the purchase of the plaque is included in the Board's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

#### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose to not approve this plaque of appreciation for Supervising Investigator Phillipps. This is not recommended because this is an opportunity to recognize Supervising Investigator Phillipps for his dedication and service to Solano County.

## OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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None.

# **CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION