

**CITY OF SAND CITY
RESOLUTION SC 20-50, 2020**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAND CITY HONORING
MAYOR JOSEPH DAVID GUNTER OF THE CITY OF SALINAS**

WHEREAS, born on April 18, 1947 in Odenton, Maryland, Joseph Gunter traveled the country with his family whose father served in the United States Army until arriving at the former Fort Ord, and attended and graduated from Junipero Sierra High School; and

WHEREAS, following his graduation from high school, Joseph Gunter served four (4) years as a United States Marine during the Vietnam War until 1969, and returned home to accept a Patrol Officer position with the City of Salinas; and

WHEREAS, for six (6) years Joseph Gunter served as a Patrol Officer until his promotion to Detective where he remained on the force for the remainder of his 32-year tenure with the Salinas Police Department, and subsequent to his short-lived retirement returned as a Reserve Officer to conduct background investigations until 2012; and

WHEREAS, following his retirement, Joseph Gunter served his community as the Mayor of Salinas for eight (8) consecutive years and spearheaded several community projects to include the new Youth Alisal Sports Field and Police Department, Salinas Veteran's Day Parade, was involved in the homeless housing issues, and the California Central Coast Veteran's Cemetery at Fort Ord; and


WHEREAS, Joseph Gunter's love for the City of Salinas was demonstrated through his involvement and participation in several organizations to include serving as President, Board Member, and Coach of the Bobby Sox Softball League, Director of Security of the California Rodeo, President of the Salinas Women's Crisis Center, and President and Director of Security of the California International Airshow.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Sand City honors and recognizes Mayor Joseph David Gunter for his passionate and tireless dedication, and for over 50 years of service to his country, community, and the City of Salinas.

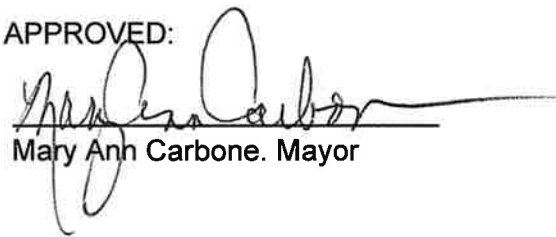
PASSED and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Sand City this 21st day of July, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Blackwelder, Carbone, Cruz, Hawthorne, Sofer
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:



Connie Horca, Acting City Clerk

APPROVED:


Mary Ann Carbone, Mayor