



PROCLAMATION
Honoring Marana Police Officer Geraldine (Gerrie) Tinsley

WHEREAS, Officer Geraldine (Gerrie) Tinsley graduated from the Arizona Law Enforcement Training Academy in 1989. She began her career with the Benson Police Department, and with the South Tucson Police Department, respectfully. In 1994, the Marana Police Department hired Gerrie as an officer. After serving some 33 years in public service (*28 years from October 1, 1994 to January 28, 2022 with the Marana Police Department*), Officer Tinsley has decided to retire effective January 28, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Gerrie quickly excelled becoming a valuable member to the Department. By 1996, she was assigned as a School Resource Officer (SRO), and played an integral role in the development and implementation of the D.A.R.E and G.R.E.A.T Programs for the Marana Unified School District. Over her career, she positively impacted the lives of several thousands of students, parents, and school faculty members; and

WHEREAS, she served as an SRO for over 14 years and taught at several schools, including; Estes Elementary, Coyote Trails Elementary, Hendricks Elementary, Twin Peaks Elementary, and Marana Middle School; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career, Gerrie participated in many community-oriented events, such as the Special Olympics Torch Run, Tip A Cop, and volunteering her time with the Continental Ranch Little League, Marana High School Baseball, and Cheer Programs; and

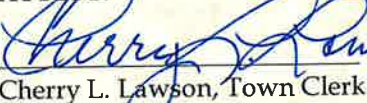
WHEREAS, Officer Tinsley was recognized several times for her hard work and dedication. In 2002, she served as Treasurer for the Arizona D.A.R.E Association Executive Board. In 2009, she received the Chief's Citation for Professional Excellence. In 2012, she received the Department's Medal of Merit; and

WHEREAS, Gerrie will enter retirement to enjoy spending time with her husband David, sons David Jr. and Nicholas, daughter Kristen, and grandson Little David. As a family, they enjoy camping and attending NASCAR races.

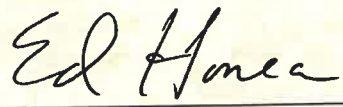
NOW, THEREFORE be it resolved, Mayor Honea and the Marana Town Council commend and thank Geraldine Tinsley for her lengthy career in public service and her dedication to the Marana community, and urge its citizens join them in congratulating her on her retirement.

Dated this 18 day of January 2022.

ATTEST:


Cherry L. Lawson, Town Clerk




Ed Honea, Mayor