



PROCLAMATION

Recognizing Town Manager Steve Rogers for a Lifetime of Achievement in Public Service

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers was hired as Yountville's Town Manager in October 2007 and moved into Town shortly thereafter. Steve has become an integral part of the community both as a local resident and as the Town Manager; and

WHEREAS, Steve served as the longest tenured town manager in Yountville and Napa County. During Steve's 37-year public service career, he also served General Manager/CEO for the North Tahoe Public Utility District, Assistant City Manager in San Bruno, Assistant to the City Administrator in the cities of Ann Arbor, MI, and Santa Paula, CA, and Administrative Services Director in Indio, CA; and

WHEREAS, Steve has maintained strong professional affiliations with public sector organizations during his career and is an International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Credential Manager. Steve has represented the Town at the California Intergovernmental Risk Authority (CIRA) as Treasurer; the Regional Government Services Joint Powers Authority; and the League of California Cities, including as an appointee to policy committees and as an officer in the City Managers Department, including a term as Department President in 2020-21; and

WHEREAS, Steve has been an inspirational leader to Town staff and the community alike. In 2023, Steve received the League of California Cities "Wes McClure Award of Distinction" honoring his outstanding career of service, leadership, ethics, expertise, and innovation; and

WHEREAS, Steve was instrumental in advancing the Town's fiscal health with balanced budgets and the establishment of reserve funds as well as the creation of the Napa County's Tourism Improvement District. He also has played critical roles in drafting impactful local ordinances, resolutions and other government actions that will create a legacy of his leadership throughout the Napa Valley and State of California; and

WHEREAS, in his capacity as Town Manager, he has been a mentor to staff and inspired professional development and a culture of continuous learning. In turn, his leadership has fostered a dedicated and empowered team of employees who value high-level service delivery to the community and take pride in their work; and

WHEREAS, throughout Steve's career, he has met adversity with fortitude and resilience. Steve helped lead the Town through natural disasters, the global COVID-19 pandemic, a devastating mass shooting and other local emergencies during his tenure as Town Manager; and

WHEREAS, Steve consistently goes above and beyond for the residents and businesses of Yountville, which led to him being named Yountville Chamber of Commerce "Citizen of the Year" in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Steve demonstrates his personal dedication to Yountville and the Napa Valley through his volunteerism with the Yountville Chamber of Commerce, Yountville School Foundation, Yountville Kiwanis Club, and Leadership Napa Valley program; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that I, Margie Mohler, Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, Town staff, and our community, express our sincere appreciation to Steve Rogers for a lifetime of achievement over the course of his outstanding public service career.

Margie Mohler, Mayor