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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 27, 2021
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Alison Lehman
SUBJECT: Certificate of Recognition for Michael Ertola for his many years of dedicated public service to the residents and communities of Nevada County as Chief Probation Officer.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Certificate of Recognition

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND: On August 6, 2021 Chief Probation Officer, Michael Ertola, is retiring from the County of Nevada after a 33-year career in the field of probation, including a 20-year career with Nevada County. He began his career in San Mateo County and joined the Nevada County Probation Department in 2001. Michael Ertola was appointed Chief Probation Officer in September of 2012 after filling the role on an interim basis. Chief Ertola has served in many capacities within probation during his career allowing him the advantage of knowing the needs of a probation department first-hand. During his tenure as Chief, he consistently advocated for staff and helped support them through a decade of enormous change as probation cemented its role as a leader and heartbeat of the criminal justice system. Through his leadership, staff embraced these changes, were early adopters in the use of evidence-based practices and Nevada County Probation came to have the lowest recidivism rate in the State. Chief Ertola has always put service to the community first and never shied away from moving forward and embracing new concepts that ensure public safety and that the needs of our community are met.

Chief Ertola will be missed, and we are grateful and honored by his dedicated service to the community and public. Therefore, we recommend the Board present the attached Certificate of Recognition to Chief Michael Ertola.

Item Initiated by Jeffrey Thorsby
Approved by Mali LaGoe (for Alison Lehman)
Submittal Date: July 15, 2021