RESOLUTION NO. 08 - 24

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR RHONDA EMBRES

WHEREAS, the City has benefited greatly from the dedicated service of RHONDA EMBRES, Fire Code Inspector II, for what will be a combined 25 years of service to the Colorado Springs Fire Department including additional years of service in the California and New Mexico fire services; and

WHEREAS, Rhonda Embres is a native of Santa Barbara, CA, and a proud graduate of Grand Canyon University; and

WHEREAS, Rhonda began her tenure with the City of Colorado Springs Fire Department on January 11, 1999 doing Fire Code inspections, fire plans review, and firefighter and community education functions; and

WHEREAS, she has assisted in training at not only a local but state level, as well, providing significant awareness and input to the development and design of various fire protection systems to include mass evacuation alarm and notification systems; and

WHEREAS, her contributions and effort resulted in being presented multiple unit awards in April of 2011, April of 2012, and May of 2023; certificates of appreciation in August of 2003, January of 2021, May of 2022 as well as a letter of recognition in 2013 for the Waldo Canyon Fire; and

WHEREAS, Rhonda has consistently supported the fire department in providing safe, code compliant buildings and events for our community to thrive in and enjoy, while protecting firefighters and other public safety personnel in the performance of their duties: and

WHEREAS, her knowledge, expertise and experience contributed to the development of curriculum for firefighter and trainee education regarding fire protection systems and their functions; and

WHEREAS, her continued effort in fire prevention and inspections has assisted in the overall department effort in achieving recognition as a nationally accredited fire department; and

WHEREAS, her collaboration and problem solving has enabled multiple businesses and facilities to open on-time, safely all while contributing to the economic success of our community; and

WHEREAS, her positive attitude and eagerness to learn provided a positive climate to the successful growth of the Division of the Fire Marshal and the overall Fire Department organization; and

WHEREAS, we appreciate her dedication, commitment, informal leadership, and professional representation of the Colorado Springs Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes her happiness and success in all her future ventures.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS:

Section1. That the City Council recognizes RHONDA EMBRES for her 25 years of service, leadership and contributions to the City of Colorado Springs.

DATED at Colorado Springs, Colorado this 23rd day of January 2024.

Randy Helms/Council President

ATTEST:

Sarah B. Johnson, City