

## CITY OF WHEATLAND PROCLAMATION CHRISTOPHER ELLIS OFFICER OF THE YEAR 2020

**WHEREAS**, Christopher was born in Yuba City in 1984. Raised in Marysville CA, he graduated from Yuba County Career Preparatory High School in May 2003 and married his sweetheart, Krissie, in August of 2008; and

WHEREAS, prior to his law enforcement career, Chris served in the US Army Infantry from 2003-2006. Chris put himself through the police academy attending Butte Community College Police Academy, graduating in 2010. Chris was sworn in as a Reserve Officer for Wheatland Police Department on February 9, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Chris became a fulltime Police Officer at the Wheatland Police Department in April 2013. He graduated with an Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Phoenix in 2013. Chris and Krissie have an 8-year old son, Rylan and a 5-year-old son, Landyn. Chris' hobbies "other than working" include fishing, camping, spending time with his family, and claims to be the best bass fisherman in the entire city of Wheatland; and

WHEREAS, in March 2020, Sgt. Ellis was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and he had a very productive year, he was the Incident Commander during four critical incidents which were all peacefully resolved; and

WHEREAS, Sgt Ellis' subordinates have described him as a; "leader and someone who not only cares about officer's professional development, but also cares about their personal development." Police Chief, Damiean Sylvester, also echoes those thoughts and appreciates Chris' hard work and dedication to the community of Wheatland; and

**NOW, THEREFORE** as Mayor of the City of Wheatland I do hereby proclaim the City's sincere appreciation for Sergeant Christopher Ellis' work in the Wheatland Police Department and further extend the City's heartfelt congratulations to him for being named Officer of the Year for 2020.

Rick West, Mayor	