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April 24, 2018

The Honorable Mayor
Mary Casillas Salas
276 Fourth Avenue
Chula Vista, CA 91910

Dear Mayor Salas,

It is with a heavy heart that I tender my resignation from service on the City of Chula Vista Veterans Advisory Commission respectfully effective as of June 1, 2018.

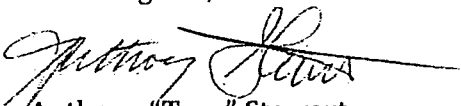
I would like to take this opportunity to say that making this decision has been difficult; as my service on the commission has been a positive experience and one for which I am grateful. I have gained much and have really enjoyed working on behalf of this great city and with so many remarkable people. The associations I've made over the last six years will truly be memorable for years to come.

I made this decision, not because I'm unhappy, but rather due to a change in life situation and strategic career moves. During my tenure, while battling cancer, I had to place many things on hold in my life, including my education and some personal endeavors. The one thing I did not release was my efforts to support military and veterans. Although I have served in many callings among an array of leadership and supporting roles within the Veteran's Community, better health and time have now permitted me to not only mentor others to fulfill some of those duties but also to set sail on new paths. I will still be active in the Veteran's Community and will continue to serve our City in my position as Seat 1 of the San Diego County Veterans Advisory Council, the Veterans Home Support Foundation and as Chief Executive Officer of the organization I founded, The Us for Warriors Foundation, but I am now re-engaging in other areas of my life as well, including education and leadership progression in my church that are not conducive to the schedule or demands necessary to be as active with the Veterans Advisory Commission. That said, I remain connected to the community and still am employed as a Government Executive for the United States Navy.

During my time with the commission, I have had the pleasure of enhancing many support elements, including the advancements to the Veteran's section of the City website, forms and processes for Veteran of the Year recognition, banners remembering the fallen within the City during holidays, supporting the Veterans Walk and our Veterans Home, helping broker disabled veterans business support policy, bringing together the various Veteran Service Organizations in our area and many other meaningful projects that have brought me much joy to pursue. I have faith and confidence that the commission will continue forward with many great projects to support city goals benefiting veterans. Serving so closely with yourself and the City Council, I must say that it has been an immense pleasure and I appreciate all the support I have received over the years. With great humility, I hope that my time on the commission is known for at least making some subtle impacts and helping others along the way. That was always the goal!

I thank you for your continuous support throughout my tenure. It has indeed been a pleasure!

Warm regards,


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