

PROCLAMATION

COMMENDING THE LEADERSHIP OF MAYOR DION BAILEY AND HIS AND SERVICE TO THE CITY OF HERCULES

WHEREAS, Dion Bailey was elected to the Hercules City Council in November 2018. As part of the annual City Council reorganization in 2021, he was appointed to serve as Mayor. Mayor Bailey concludes his second appointment as Mayor of the City of Hercules on December 9, 2025.

WHEREAS, Mayor Bailey successfully advanced the City through critical community development priorities including the implementation of the Housing Element which furthers the development of the Hercules Bayfront and supports the City's Fair Housing commitments in the City's adopted and certified 6th Cycle Housing Element; and

WHEREAS, he led the City through the Marin Clean Energy (MCE) Transition, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and bringing clean energy resources to our community and contributing to a cleaner California; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bailey worked diligently with City Council to approve the FY 2026-2027 Budget and addressed the Victoria by the Bay LLAD annual operating deficit through a ballot measure that will secure repayment of approximately \$700,000 to the General Fund within 10 years; and

WHEREAS, under his tenure, advanced Capital Improvement Plan projects to improve the experience of Hercules residents and the community as they utilize the City's streets, trails, parks and open spaces including initiation of the John Muir Parkway Traffic Calming Improvements, Refugio Valley Park Picnic Area shade structures, Foxboro Park Basketball Court and Playground Improvements, The Refugio Valley Park lake dredging project, the Bay Trail Retaining Wall Repair project, and the Falcon Way Roadway Improvements; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bailey promoted transparency and open communication by engaging the public in meaningful dialogue through multiple Town Halls of Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bailey fostered collaborations with local organizations for the continued provision of high-quality events for the Hercules community including the inaugural Lunar New Year Parade, Hercules Cultural Festival, National Night Out and Movies in the Park, Bayfront Run and Festival, Trunk or Treat, and the 125th Anniversary and Holiday Tree Lighting; and

WHEREAS, he represented the City throughout regional and statewide boards including at the Contra Costa Mayors Conference, the West County Mayors and Supervisors' Association; West Contra Costa Transit Authority (WestCAT) and West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC), ensuring that the voice of Hercules was heard; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bailey's service and dedication have led advancements in the City's growth with much to look forward to in its near future, keeping Hercules a great place to live, work, and play.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Chris Kelley, Vice Mayor of the City of Hercules, on behalf of the entire City Council, with gratitude, do hereby commend Mayor Dion Bailey for his excellent service and steadfast dedication to the City of Hercules.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Hercules to be affixed this 9th day of December 2025.

Chris Kelley, Vice Mayor