

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement is a vital public service and

**WHEREAS,** Code Enforcement is the prevention, detection, investigation, and enforcement of violations of statutes or ordinances regulating public health, safety, business activities, building standards, land use, and municipal affairs; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has adopted Strengthen the Public Safety and Improve the Quality of Life as a Goal; and

**WHEREAS,** the Development Services' Community Improvement Division is committed to protecting the residential and business communities through a variety of programs that address blight, deteriorated conditions, and nuisance behaviors while focusing on a higher quality of life in Costa Mesa; and

**WHEREAS,** the California State Legislature passed an Assembly Concurrent Resolution and filed with the Secretary of State on September 7, 2018, designating the 2nd week of October as Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation week; and

WHEREAS, Code Enforcement Officers have challenging and demanding roles; and

**WHEREAS**, Code Enforcement Officers are dedicated, highly qualified, and highly trained professionals who share the goals of preventing neighborhood deterioration, enhancing communities, ensuring safety, and preserving property values through knowledge, training, and application of housing, zoning, and nuisance laws; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Costa Mesa recognizes and honors the Code Enforcement Officers who serve the community and acknowledge their role in leading the way to improve the quality of life within our community.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, John B. Stephens, Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa, do hereby proclaim October 8-14, 2023, as **Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week** in the City of Costa Mesa and invite all residents to celebrate and honor the dedicated work of those who serve our community as Code Enforcement Officers.

**Dated** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2023.

John B. Stephens, Mayor of the City of Costa Mesa