

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION



THE BERKELEY POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION (PRC) COMMENDS FORMER
COMMISSIONER GEORGE PEREZVELEZ

ON HIS 14 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE TO THE PRC, THE BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND THE CITIZENS OF BERKELEY. GEORGE IS ONE OF THE LONGEST-SERVING AND HARDEST-WORKING COMMISSIONERS IN THE PRC'S HISTORY. DURING HIS TENURE, HE WORKED TO IMPROVE MANY POLICE POLICIES, SUCH AS USE OF FORCE, OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, CROWD CONTROL, BODY-WORN CAMERAS, AND ON THE TREATMENT OF TRANSGENDER PERSONS. HE LED THE PRC MULTIPLE TIMES AS CHAIR OR VICE-CHAIR, AND SERVED ON NUMEROUS PRC BOARDS OF INQUIRY TO HEAR AND DECIDE POLICE MISCONDUCT COMPLAINTS. ALONG WITH OTHER CIVIC LEADERS, HE ADVOCATED FOR REFORMING THE PRC, WHICH CULMINATED IN PASSAGE OF A 2020 BALLOT MEASURE THAT CREATED A STRONGER POLICE OVERSIGHT AGENCY.

THE PRC APPLAUDS GEORGE'S PASSIONATE COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE, HIS UNYIELDING EFFORTS TO ENSURE THE PRC'S RELEVANCY AND EFFECTIVENESS, HIS FIRM DEDICATION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND HIS ENORMOUS CONTRIBUTIONS IN ADVOCATING FOR PROGRESSIVE POLICIES AND PRACTICES. THE PRC THUS BESTOWS GEORGE PEREZVELEZ WITH THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR THESE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CITY OF BERKELEY AND HER RESIDENTS.

PRESENTED AT THE FINAL MEETING OF THE PRC ON JUNE 23, 2021

ISMAIL RAMSEY, CHAIR
BERKELEY POLICE REVIEW COMMISSION