

# Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-35

INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR WARD AND ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

## A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING COMMENDATION AND SINCERE APPRECIATION TO RICK F. PORRELLO FOR LONG AND FAITHFUL SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF LYNDHURST AS MEMBER AND CHIEF OF THE LYNDHURST POLICE DEPARTMENT

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello was born on July 13, 1962 and was raised in The City of Cleveland Heights where he was a 1980 graduate of Heights High School; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello spent two and one-half years traveling internationally as drummer for Sammy Davis, Jr.; and

**WHEREAS**, inspired by his passion for police work Rick Porrello returned home to earn an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice from Lakeland Community College and his Ohio Peace Officer Certification from the Cleveland Heights Police Academy; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello began his law enforcement career in The Village of Mayfield where he served for two years before joining the Lyndhurst Police Department in 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2000, to the rank of Lieutenant in 2001 and was promoted to Chief of the Lyndhurst Police Department on January 2, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello received many letters of thanks from grateful citizens as well as numerous commendations and awards including an award stemming from a joint investigation with the F.B.I.; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick is married to his wonderful wife Lee and they are the proud parents of two children, Christian and Camille; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello, in addition to his musical talents is the author of three books; one, "To Kill the Irishman" was made into a movie which hit theatres in 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick Porrello, after 31 years of service to the residents of Lyndhurst, will work his last day on Tuesday, April 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, This Council, the Mayor and the entire Administration wish to acknowledge the dedication of Rick Porrello as an employee, a leader and as Chief of Police in the Lyndhurst Police Department. Now, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LYNDHURST, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** The Council, the Mayor and the entire Administration, on behalf of the citizens of the City of Lyndhurst, commend and acknowledge with extreme gratitude the dedicated service of Rick F. Porrello to our residents and wish him every good fortune and much happiness in the future.

**SECTION 2.** The Mayor, Patrick A. Ward, be and he is hereby requested to cause a duplicate of this Resolution to be presented to Rick F. Porrello at an appropriate occasion, and the Clerk of Council be and she is hereby authorized and directed to file the original in the Journals of Council.

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

PASSED: April 15, 2019

MAYOR PATRICK A. WARD

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

*Clerk of Council*

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