



CITY OF SOLANA BEACH PROCLAMATION

MOHAMMED “MO” SAMMAK

**IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER MO SAMMAK
FOR HIS 16 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITY OF SOLANA BEACH**

WHEREAS, Mohammad Sammak joined the City on May 5, 2008 as Director of Public Works/City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, during this time he has organized and administered all aspects of the Engineering and Public Works Departments to achieve and implement goals, policies, and programs as directed by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, through his extraordinary leadership and vision, Mo has assembled a stable and successful team dedicated to improving the quality of life for the community of Solana Beach through innovative ideas, exceptional customer service and focused determination through both good and challenging times; and

WHEREAS, as Director of Public Works/City Engineer, he was instrumental in the planning and development of several major City projects and programs including these highlights:

- Completion of the Fletcher Cove and La Colonia Tot Lots including a new skatepark, pickleball court, and basketball court
- Completion of the La Colonia Skate Park and Update of La Colonia Veteran’s Courtyard
- Completion and implementation of the Safe Routes to School Study
- Renovation of the Fletcher Cove Community Center
- Increasing the Recycled Water Line Extension throughout the City
- Completion of the Pedestrian Trail Undercrossing under the train tracks at the north end of the City, connecting the lagoon trails to Harbaugh Trails and the beach
- Managing the operations, maintenance and rehabilitation of the City’s streets, storm drain and sewer systems
- Managing the City’s landscape maintenance contracts to ensure the cleanliness and aesthetics of the City’s parks and beaches are surpassing the high expectations of our community
- Managing the complex implementation of the City’s Capital Improvement Projects

WHEREAS, he exemplified professionalism, expertise and sensitivity by successfully leading the City’s Engineering and Public Works Departments through the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic era by way of planning, motivation, fiscal management and managing the constantly changing environment for his Staff and the community; and

WHEREAS, his work will continue to guide the City of Solana Beach and the community will benefit from major projects that are in development due in large part to Mo’s leadership including the Lomas Santa Fe Corridor Project, the Marine Safety Center Construction, the Glenmont Park construction and completion of the La Colonia Park Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, Mo will leave a lasting legacy of commitment, hard work, dedication, and spirit of support and empowerment for employees and the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lesa Heebner, Mayor of the City of Solana Beach, on behalf of the entire City Council, hereby honor and commend Mohammad Sammak for his exemplary leadership, dedication, and loyalty to the City of Solana Beach in which he has enriched the lives of all residents, and we wish him the best of health and happiness in retirement.

Dated this 11th day of December, 2024

LESA HEEBNER, Mayor

JEWEL EDSON, Deputy Mayor
JILL MACDONALD, Councilmember

KRISTI BECKER, Councilmember
DAVID ZITO, Councilmember