



**Honoring**  
**Sese Vaivao**  
**For His 33 Years of Dedicated Service to The County of Ventura**

**Whereas,** Sese Vaivao, affectionately known as JJ, started his career with the County of Ventura in June of 1990 as an Equipment Operator II and worked in various GSA departments in that role: in Utilities (1990 to 2003), in Housekeeping (2004 to 2008), driving trucks in Grounds (2008 – 2014) and finally in the Projects Furniture and Interior Shop (2014 to 2023) where JJ finished his long productive career with the County; and

**Whereas,** with his pleasant, easygoing demeanor and Can-Do attitude, JJ would execute over 1,000 interior and furniture orders each fiscal year throughout all the County owned and leased facilities, with a yearly value of JJ's efforts ranging from \$150,000 to \$175,000 in a given Fiscal Year. This included renovating the GSA Maintenance Dispatch office to support departmental growth; and

**Whereas,** JJ also performed his duties admirably in support of the County's Area Agency on Aging as a GSA Disaster Service Worker during the COVID pandemic, delivering food boxes to those in need. He also supported Area Agency on Aging by transporting canned food for the annual Food Share Can Tree Drive fundraiser for agencies to build their trees; and

**Whereas,** JJ assisted in saving the County funds as he helped GSA Furniture and Interiors to re-use 128 height adjustable corner desks that were available from the change of occupancy of the Oxnard Vanguard facility. A variety of County agencies (HCA, GSA, VCSO, PWA, PDO, HSA, DAO, CCR, CEO) took the opportunity to utilize the available corner desks and avoided a replacement/procurement cost avoidance of \$89,600 to the County. JJ ensured that word got out on this opportunity and helped save County resources while providing Great Service Always and embodying GSA values of Stewardship, Leadership and Innovation, efforts that earned him a County Service Excellence Award; and

**Whereas,** he emphasized the importance of customer service and dedicated himself to supporting the needs of GSA and their customers; he embodied the Aloha Spirit as he carried out his daily work orders and interfaced with all levels of County staff on their office furniture needs; and

**Whereas,** as a Varsity coach for the Buena High School girls' softball, JJ and his team won the 2017 Division 4 title. A feat that had not been done in 28 years.


**Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,** that the County of Ventura Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in honoring JJ Vaivao upon his retirement and does hereby express their gratitude for 33 years of dedicated public service to the County of Ventura and further extends JJ Vaivao best wishes for a long, joyful, and healthy retirement with his family and friends.

**Presented on This 23<sup>rd</sup> Day of January 2024**

  
Matt LaVere, Supervisor 1 District

  
Jeff Gorell, Supervisor 2nd District

  
Kelly Long, Supervisor 3rd District

  
Janice S. Parvin, Supervisor 4th District

  
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