

To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors

From: Jeff Carman, Chief, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

Date: October 25, 2016

Subject: 2016 Firefighter of the Year

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

PRESENTATION recognizing Captain-Paramedic Ben Sanders as the 2016 Firefighter of the Year.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Many members of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District embody the District's core values which are Service, Teamwork, Professionalism, Leadership, Safety and Preparedness, and Integrity. In recognition of consistently outstanding work performance and demonstration of core values, the District annually solicits nominations for Firefighter of the Year.

Of all the distinguished and deserving members who were nominated, Captain-Paramedic Ben Sanders was ultimately chosen to represent the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District as the 2016 Firefighter of the Year. Several factors, including his professionalism and work ethic, support the selection of Ben Sanders. Most notably, Ben Sanders is being

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Action o	f Board On: 10/25/2016	✓ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER
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VOTE OF S	SUPERVISORS	
AYE:	John Gioia, Director Candace Andersen,	
	Director	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.
	Karen Mitchoff, Director	ATTESTED: October 25, 2016
ABSENT:	Federal D. Glover, Director  Mary N. Piepho,  Director	, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Contact	t: Jeff Carman, (925)	By: June McHuen, Deputy

recognized for his tireless and selfless efforts toward developing, growing and maintaining Contra Costa County Fire Explorer Post 88, also known as the Explorer Program, which is

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

one of the most successful programs of its kind in the state. Under the auspices of Explorer Post 88, Captain Sanders has mentored over 100 local children and young adults who have expressed and interest in the fire service and truly made a difference in our community. In fact, one of the Explorers graduated from Academy #49 and is currently a Firefighter assigned to Captain Sanders.

We are pleased to be joined by the East County Knights of Columbus to honor Captain-Paramedic Ben Sanders as our 2016 Firefighter of the Year.