



BOARD MEETING AGENDA SUBMITTAL

TO: GCS D Board of Directors

FROM: Peter J. Kampa, General Manager

DATE: February 14, 2023

**SUBJECT: Agenda Item 6D: Adoption of a Resolution Commending CAL
FIRE Captain Dave Donabedian for his Service and Accomplishments
While Serving the Groveland Community Services Fire Department**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends the following action:

I Move to approve Resolution 10-2023 commending Dave Donabedian for his efforts and accomplishments while serving the Groveland Community Services Fire Department.

BACKGROUND:

In consideration of the Board's direction to promote, maintain, and enhance the working and family culture at GCS D, staff is to provide an opportunity to publicly celebrate accomplishments, work anniversaries, superior performance, retirements, promotions, or exciting happenings within the GCS D family.

Dave Donabedian has taken a Captains promotion in Columbia that is tentatively taking effect March 1st. What this means to GCS D, Groveland Fire and our community, is that Dave will no longer serve the Groveland Fire Department. Although we will greatly miss the service and contributions of Dave, we congratulate and commend him on a very successful career of public service and amazing efforts throughout the County, Unit and State.

DAVE'S HISTORY

In 2005, Dave started his fire service career in Ventura County. He moved to the Tuolumne Calaveras Unit for CAL FIRE in 2007 to work as a Firefighter I. In 2016, Dave was promoted to Firefighter II in Riverside, CA. Two short years later in 2018, Dave was back home in TCU, but this time, as a Fire Apparatus Engineer at GCS D Station 78. Dave has been at Station 78 for almost five years.

Dave's dedication and contributions to Station 78 and the community are significant. Providing excellent and quality service to the community is very important to him and reflected in his work. He served as the Groveland Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) liaison and helped in getting this program started and implemented. He brought a significant amount of experience with him, and it was noteworthy on many emergency calls. He has been a cornerstone for Station 78 and GCSD, and he has been a mentor to many firefighters.

Dave has been an asset to Station 78 and the public that he serves. We will truly miss his sense of humor, work ethic, and his ability to make the best out of any situation. We would all like to wish Dave the best of luck with his well-deserved promotion to Fire Captain.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution 10-2023

RESOLUTION 10-2023

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
COMMENDING CAL FIRE CAPTAIN DAVE DONABEDIAN FOR HIS
SERVICE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS WHILE SERVING THE
GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, in 2005, Dave Donabedian started his fire service career in Ventura County;
and

WHEREAS, he moved to the Tuolumne Calaveras Unit of CAL FIRE in 2007 to
work as a Firefighter I and was promoted to Firefighter II in Riverside, CA in 2016;
and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Dave was promoted to Fire Apparatus Engineer and assigned to
the Groveland Community Services District Station 78; and

WHEREAS, Dave has served at GCSD Station 78 just short of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Dave's dedication in providing the community with excellent service is
clearly evident and his dedication and contributions while serving at GCSD Station 78
are numerous; and

WHEREAS, among these contributions include serving as the liaison during the
creation, development, and implementation of the Groveland Community Emergency
Response Team (CERT); bringing a high level and invaluable amount of expertise and
experience in emergency response to the community; contributing to the many grant
successes realized by Station 78 that have enhanced service levels; participation in
community events; and serving as an example and mentor to other firefighters.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE GROVELAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES HEREBY**
extend the appreciation of this Board to Dave Donabedian for the excellent public
service provided to the community and for showing the knowledge, skills, experience
and drive that is the model of cultural excellence for which we strive at GCSD.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the
Groveland Community Services District on February 14, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

Rachel Pearlman, Board Secretary

Nancy Mora, President - Board of Directors

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Rachel Pearlman, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, do hereby declare that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Groveland Community Services District, duly called and held on February 14, 2023.

DATED: _____