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**RESOLUTION 22-42
OF THE HELIX WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENDING
CARLOS V. LUGO FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE HELIX WATER DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, in 1991, Carlos V. Lugo began his career at Helix Water District as an assistant engineer and in 2001, he became the director of engineering overseeing all aspects of the engineering department including planning and design, right of way, survey and inspection; and

WHEREAS, as the director of engineering, Carlos V. Lugo's responsibilities included the oversight of the district's capital improvement program. Under his direction, the district embarked on an ambitious cast-iron pipeline replacement program, which replaces three miles of pipe per year and aims to remove all remaining cast-iron pipe from the district within the next few years; and

WHEREAS, between 1998 and 2002, Carlos V. Lugo oversaw the upgrade to the R.M. Levy Water Treatment Plant, from 80 million gallons per day to 106 million gallons per day and the addition of ozone as the primary disinfectant; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Carlos V. Lugo was promoted to general manager of Helix Water District. The district serves water to 277,168 customers in the communities of La Mesa, El Cajon, Lemon Grove, Spring Valley and parts of Lakeside. The district stores water in Lake Jennings, El Capitan Reservoir and Lake Cuyamaca, as well as receives both untreated and treated water supplies from the San Diego County Water Authority. The district operates a regional water treatment plant, treating water with state-of-the-art ozone technology. The R.M. Levy Water Treatment Plant in Lakeside has a capacity of 106 million gallons per day providing water to district customers as well as Padre Dam Municipal Water District, Otay Water District and Lakeside Water District. The district is the second largest supplier of domestic water within San Diego County; and

WHEREAS, Carlos V. Lugo has served and overseen 154 employees from the treatment plant, operations center, administration office and Lake Jennings and managed a \$108 million budget; and

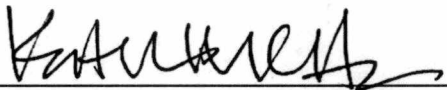
WHEREAS, in 2014, Carlos V. Lugo partnered with the Helix Water District Board of Directors, Padre Dam Municipal Water District, the City of El Cajon and the County of San Diego in the development of the East County Advanced Water Purification program that will bring a sustainable water supply to all of East County, and developed the district's first Strategic Plan with measurable goals and objectives; and

WHEREAS, Carlos V. Lugo has collaborated with the Helix Water District Board of Directors and the Parks, Land, Lakes and Garden Committee to establish a Lake Jennings reserve fund for continued recreational and campground infrastructure improvements; and

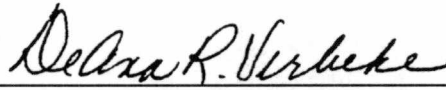
WHEREAS, Carlos V. Lugo has been a valuable member of the American Water Works Association, American Society of Civil Engineers, American Public Works Association, Association of State Dam Safety Officials and is a licensed professional engineer. He has served regionally through the San Diego County Water Authority Member Agency Managers' Group, the SDCWA Financial Strategy Workgroup and the SDCWA Member Agency Managers'/Member Agency Finance Officers' Rate Workgroup. Mr. Lugo holds a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from San Diego State University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Helix Water District Board of Directors that Carlos V. Lugo be commended for his extraordinary achievements and his tireless effort on behalf of the Helix Water District, its employees and its customers, as well as the entire water community.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED unanimously this 17th day of August, 2022.



Kathleen Coates Hedberg, President



DeAna R. Verbeke, Vice President



Daniel H. McMillan, Director

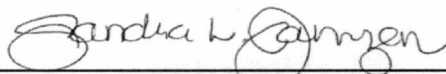


Mark Gracyk, Director



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Sandra L. Janzen, Secretary of the Board

