

## STAFF REPORT

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**DATE:** August 26, 2024  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Patrick Kennedy, Chair, Board of Directors  
**SUBJ:** COMMENDING BRET DANIELS

### RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Attached Resolution.

### RESULT OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recognizes Bret Daniels for his service on the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) Board of Directors.

### DISCUSSION

Bret Daniels has been a member of the SacRT Board of Directors since January 2023. The Resolution presented acknowledges Bret Daniel's service on the SacRT Board of Directors.

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution commending Bret Daniels.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

August 26, 2024

# COMMENDING BRET DANIELS

*Whereas*, Bret Daniels has faithfully represented the City of Sacramento on the Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) Board of Directors from January 2023 through August 2024; and

*Whereas*, Bret Daniels has served his community with pride and distinction as a law enforcement officer for 20 years and as a member of the Citrus Heights City Council; and

*Whereas*, Bret Daniels was a strong advocate for developing the first Citrus Heights Police Department and a Founding Member and the President of Toys for the Troops' Kids, a non-profit charitable organization that provides toy to the kids of our military service members during Christmas; and

*Whereas*, SacRT has undergone an historic transformation to optimize service, seek continuous and innovative mobility options, and bring greater value to the diverse communities served; and

*Whereas*, during Bret Daniels' term on the Board of Directors, SacRT accomplished the following programs and initiatives among many others:

- Celebrated SacRT's 50th Anniversary in April 2023.
- Celebrated the opening of the affordable housing development, Salvator Apartments, which serves as a catalyst for neighborhood revitalization and smart growth.
- SacRT's Bus Maintenance department celebrated the first female apprentice graduate of the Bus Maintenance Program.
- In partnership with the City and County of Sacramento, a \$5 million grant was secured from SACOG to continue progress on a bus rapid transit route along Stockton Blvd.
- In partnership with UC Davis Health, SacRT launched a new Elk Grove/UC Davis Medical Center Express bus route 137.
- Secured over \$400 million for the Light Rail Modernization Project and celebrated the project, new low-floor trains, and breaking ground for the Folsom 15-Minute Service construction.
- In partnership with Civic Thread, SacRT embarked on the Bus Stop Improvement Project, a unique initiative aimed at enhancing the overall bus stop experience.
- The Downtown Riverfront Streetcar Project moved into final design.
- RydeFreeRT student ridership reached 4.2 million rides in FY24.
- SacRT was awarded approximately \$77 million in Capital funds from the Federal Transit Administration's Low or No Emission Grant program.

*Whereas*, SacRT was awarded in 2023 the Transportation Security Administration's Gold Standard Award for Transit Security and Emergency Preparedness; and

*Whereas*, SacRT received the 2023 APTA Rail Safety Certificate of Merit for Light Rail/Streetcar Systems and the 2023 APTA First Place AdWheel Award for Best Marketing and Communications to Highlight Transit Needs/Funding; and

*Whereas*, Bret Daniels has helped keep SacRT on a Journey to Excellence by improving fiscal stability - building reserves, attracting new riders, and heightening the commitment to providing clean, safe and convenient service for people who live, work, and play in the Sacramento region; and

*Whereas*, during Bret Daniels' time on the SacRT Board has begun historic transitions to a new fleet of modern low-floor light rail vehicles and zero emission buses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

*That*, all members of the Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors hereby commend Bret Daniels for his years of public service, dedication to the community he serves, attention to detail and willingness to provide alternative perspectives on challenging matters, and wish him a long and happy life in retirement.

ATTEST:

HENRI LI, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Tabetha Smith, Assistant Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_

PATRICK KENNEDY, Chair