

**ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 20-043**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING THE CAREER AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF MAINTENANCE
SUPERINTENDENT EDWARD VILLAREAL**

WHEREAS, the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) mourns the loss of a beloved and celebrated member of our transit family, Maintenance Superintendent Edward Villareal. Born in Livermore and raised in Hayward, Edward was truly a son of the Bay Area. His leadership qualities, achievements, and technical abilities made him an innovator both within AC Transit and the national transit industry; and

WHEREAS, Edward's commitment to AC Transit spanned 29 years, beginning on October 14, 1991, as a Journey Level Mechanic, then advancing to Maintenance Trainer in February of 2000. On November 1, 2005, Edward was promoted to Maintenance Supervisor. Three years later, in 2008, he transferred to Maintenance Technical Supervisor. Ed's inherent ability to coach and mentor employees made him an exemplary template for leadership, which allowed him to quickly ascend within the Maintenance Department to Senior Maintenance Supervisor in March 2015. In his last position, as Division 4's Maintenance Superintendent, Edward was less "boss" and more "best friend." His reports called him a team-builder, who valued strong relationships, used humor to build morale and capped every personal interaction with an infectious smile; and

WHEREAS, Edward's constant desire for self-improvement and willingness to learn new things, was the catalyst for his multiple victories as a member of AC Transit's Maintenance Rodeo Team. He was a guiding force behind first-place team finishes, during Local Bus Rodeos, in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002. The team's acumen and winning success would not be limited to the Bay Area. With Ed in the lead, his team dominated the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) International Bus Rodeo earning first-place maintenance awards in 2000, 2001, and 2002. Ultimately, Ed would cement his place in transit history as a member of the legendary AC Transit International Bus Rodeo Grand Champion's team, which swept the competition for four consecutive years: 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District does resolve as follows:

Section 1. AC Transit mourns the loss of Edward Villareal and expresses heartfelt sympathies and condolences to his family.

Section 2. AC Transit honors Edward Villareal's extraordinary and successful career spanning 29-years as a mechanical master and beloved leader.

Section 3. AC Transit will cherish and proudly display the Local Bus Rodeo first place trophies earned by Edward's team in 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002; and American Public Transportation Association (APTA) International Bus Rodeo first-place maintenance awards in 2000, 2001, and 2002, and APTA International Bus Rodeo Grand Champions in 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of September, 2020.

Joe Wallace, President

Attest:

Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

I, Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary for the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 9th day of September, 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

Approved as to Form and Content:

Jill A. Sprague, General Counsel