

Introduced by: Councilmember Seamens

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND  
RESOLUTION 2012-40**

**THANKING CAPTAIN EDWARD COURSEY  
FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE TAKOMA PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT  
AND THE TAKOMA PARK COMMUNITY**

- WHEREAS, Edward Coursey joined the Takoma Park Police Department as a Private on July 2, 1989; and,
- WHEREAS, he rose steadily through the ranks of the Police Department, being promoted to the rank of Corporal in October 1992, to the rank of Sergeant in May 1993, and to the rank of Lieutenant in January 2001; and,
- WHEREAS, in recognition of his leadership, he was promoted to the rank of Captain in May 2003; and,
- WHEREAS, Captain Coursey guided the Takoma Park Police Department through a period of transition, serving as Acting Chief of Police from June 2006 to February 2007; and,
- WHEREAS, during his 23-year tenure with the Takoma Park Police Department, Captain Coursey provided invaluable leadership in the area of emergency preparedness, continually working to improve the City's emergency management processes and staff training; and,
- WHEREAS, Captain Coursey also served as the Co-Chair of the Takoma Park Emergency Preparedness Committee, represented the City on numerous occasions at the Montgomery County Emergency Operations Center, and played an instrumental role in the development of the City's Emergency Operations Plan and the Continuity of Operations Plan; and,
- WHEREAS, he was well regarded in the Police Department and in the City organization for his financial acumen, playing a significant role in the development of the annual Police Department operating budget and managing various law enforcement grants; and,
- WHEREAS, his broad knowledge of police procedures and practices allowed him to play a critical role in the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Montgomery County concerning the tax duplication payment received by the City for police services; and,
- WHEREAS, having worked in all operational areas of the Takoma Park Police Department, Captain Coursey had a comprehensive knowledge of law enforcement and openly shared this knowledge with his co-workers to assist them in their professional development; and,
- WHEREAS, Captain Coursey retired from the Takoma Park Police Department on June 30, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND hereby recognizes the contributions that Captain Edward Coursey made to the Takoma Park Police Department and to the Takoma Park community during his tenure with the City.

**Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012.**

Attest:

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk