

City of South Gate



From the Honorable
Mayor

PROCLAMATION

Presented to

Yadira Bonilla-Clayton

In recognition of her 34 years of dedicated service to the City of South Gate

WHEREAS, Yadira Bonilla-Clayton was hired as a Data Entry Operator with the City of South Gate Finance Department in 1986, was assigned to Acting Data Entry Technician and in 1987, was appointed to that position, and then reclassified to Data Systems Coordinator in 1989;

WHEREAS, in 1995, she was reclassified to Business License Coordinator, and later was reclassified to Business License Supervisor in 2002, in 2002, she was reclassified to Customer Service Supervisor and since has been responsible for overseeing the Water Billing Customer Service and the Business License Division simultaneously;

WHEREAS, in addition to assisting with the implementation of eight system conversions and completion of a technology enhancement system that allows customers to pay their water bills via automatic payment, ACH and credit/debit cards, Yadira was successful in conducting in-house Business License audits of which retrieved \$36,000 in revenue to the City;

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding work ethic, Yadira has received the Finance Employee of the Year Award in 1987, 1992, 1995, 2009 and 2012; the Employee of the Year Award in 2009 and 2012; and the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2019;

WHEREAS, Yadira has been a member of the South Gate Multi-cultural Women's Club for over 19 years and has held the positions of President, Secretary and currently serves as the Treasurer;

WHEREAS, Yadira is loved and admired by her fellow employees and coworkers for her "lead by example" and "no task is too small" personal philosophy; her work ethic is second to none and her institutional knowledge, extensive experience and willingness to go the extra mile will be a challenge to replace; and

WHEREAS, after proudly serving over 34 years with the City of South Gate, Yadira will retire on April 22, 2021, to finally rest, do the things she loves to do and make up for the fun times lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, South Gate citizens and employees had the pleasure and benefit of working with this esteemed professional, and, although she will be missed, wish her the best in her retirement;

NOW, THEREFORE, on this 20th day of April 2021, **I, Al Rios, Mayor of the City of South Gate,** on behalf of the citizens of South Gate, do hereby recognize Yadira Bonilla-Clayton and duly thank her for her 34 years of dedicated service to the City of South Gate. We wish Yadira the very best in her well-deserved retirement.

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Mayor Al Rios