



Proclamation No. 2023-03

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING  
Darren Backman  
FOR 20 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF  
SUMMIT COUNTY, UTAH**

**Whereas**, Darren Backman began his career in 1995 working for Salt Lake City Metro Jail. Darren took a break to go work in Wendover, Nevada and returned to the Salt Lake County Sheriff’s Office in January 2008.

**Whereas**, While working for Salt Lake County, Darren was a pioneer of the successful opening of the Salt Lake County, Oxbow Jail; and was involved with the many programs within the jail.

**Whereas**, after twelve years with Salt Lake County, Darren made his next and last step to Summit County in December 2016 as a Corrections Deputy.

**Whereas**, Darren spent the next six plus years at Summit County mentoring, coaching and being a friend to many.

**Whereas** Darren was the type of Corrections Deputy a supervisor dreams of having- Darren was someone you could depend on, with a vast knowledge of many aspects of the Correctional field. Darren had a positive impact on everyone he came across. Darren is someone you wanted working alongside of you and knew he always had your back. Darren has a contagious laugh and a quick smile.

**Whereas** Darren was known by all that worked with him as the expert in jump scare tactics; he was also known to use the videos of those jump scares to remind those who were victims of how good he was at jump scaring.

**Whereas**; Darren is a proud Summit County resident who is a collector of many things and if you spent any time with him, he would share with you some incredible items and specifics of those collections. Darren is a proud fur dad of two Huskey’s named Aspen and Oakley who he shares proud photos of and they often assisted Darren with security checks on the outside of the Justice Center.

**Whereas**, Darren has served the law enforcement community for twenty years. Darren has demonstrated commitment, professionalism and selflessness, earning the respect and admiration of his colleagues. It is with a heavy heart that we bid farewell. We extend our sincere appreciation and gratitude to Darren for his many years of dedicated service.

**Now, therefore**, be it resolved that the Summit County Council does hereby recognize the retirement of Darren Backman and thanks him for his contributions to the County, for his continued support of employees and his commitment to making Summit County an all-around better place for those who live in and visit here.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the SUMMIT COUNTY COUNCIL.

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