

VILLAGE OF CIMARRON

PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2020 AS WILLIAM "BILLY" DOERR DAY

Sponsored by Councilor Matthew E. Gonzales

Whereas, William F. Doerr affectionately known as "Billy," age 72, a beloved son, brother, uncle and dear friend was born on April 13, 1948 in Newark, New Jersey and was called home on April 28, 2020; and

Whereas, Billy is preceded in death by his father William F. Doerr & mother Shirley Doerr and survived by his sister Barbara & husband Rick of Watsonville, CA, niece Sonny and grand-niece Anaiya, his sister Linda & husband Ted Branson, nephew Austin, niece Ivory, grand-niece Savannah Rose of Austin, Texas, and his dear friend Patricia Quezada of Wagon Mound, NM; and

Whereas, Billy loved hiking and camping. His father was a Boy Scout leader and Billy became an Eagle Scout. He also loved to go deep sea fishing with his dad; and

Whereas, Billy graduated JFK High School in Iselin, New Jersey and was immediately drafted into the Army upon graduation. Billy spent 1967 and 1968 in Vietnam and was shot twice in the line of duty, which earned him two Purple Hearts, a Bronze Star, and a Silver Star, the Nation's fifth highest personal military decoration that may be awarded to recognize U.S. military service members who have distinguished themselves by acts of valor; and

Whereas, After the Army Billy worked as a warehouse Manager at Napa Auto Parts in Edison, New Jersey. In 1976 his sister Linda moved to Cimarron New Mexico, but Billy did not want her driving alone, so he joined her on the trip. Once he arrived in Cimarron, he fell in love with it; and

Whereas, In 1977 Billy moved to Cimarron, NM where he spent several years working on the Chase Ranch, the UU Bar ranch in 1982 and later found himself on the CS Ranch where he worked until his passing; and



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Whereas, Billy was a treasured friend to many he loved mentoring the youth in the community and took many under his wing to teach them a good day's work and life's lessons. Billy was also a substitute teacher at Cimarron High School and loved every minute. The kids thought a lot of him, and he treasured them; and

Whereas, Billy's dad was a Newark, NJ firefighter for 25 years leading Billy to follow in his footsteps, becoming a volunteer firefighter in Cimarron where he volunteered for 40 years. One of his proudest honors was driving the fire truck in the town parade every Fourth of July; and

Whereas, Billy loved his home in Miami, NM and took pride in caring for it, along with his four stray cats. Billy enjoyed planning vacation trips to his beloved Vietnam, where he visited a few years back; and

Whereas, Billy will be missed by many and his passing leaves a void in the lives of everyone that he touched and was fortunate enough to call him a friend.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Cimarron hereby proclaims May 15, 2020 as **William "Billy" Doerr Day** in the Village of Cimarron.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Village of Cimarron to be affixed this 13th day of May, 2020.

Leo R. Martinez, Mayor

Laura J. Gonzales, Mayor Pro Tem

James R. Gallegos, Council Member

Judy B. LeDoux, Council Member

Matthew E. Gonzales, Council Member