

5. Recognition of Cindy Gust-Jenson for her service as Executive Director from February 1989 to January 2025.

# SALT LAKE CITY CORPORATION

## Resolution

### JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE UNPARALLELED CONTRIBUTIONS AND SERVICE OF CINDY GUST-JENSON TO SALT LAKE CITY

- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson has served as the Executive Director of the Salt Lake City Council since 1989, demonstrating extraordinary dedication, professionalism, and the utmost integrity in her role for more than 35 years; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson's career embodies a living historical record of Salt Lake City's governance and growth; offering stability and continuity throughout the terms of seven Mayors and 50 Council Members, staffing over 1200 Council Meetings, and exhibiting exceptional leadership through significant population growth and generational change in Utah's capital city; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson's tenure is defined by her service and loyalty to Salt Lake City and its residents, developing policies that are transparent, thoughtful and deliberate, bridging divides and navigating complex political landscapes; earning respect and appreciation of Council Members, Mayors, City staff, community members, and leaders throughout the state; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson has been instrumental in advising the Council through periods of incredible growth and transformation in the City, including investment in TRAX throughout the City, City Creek Center, expansion of Salt Lake City Airport, Utah Inland Port Authority, the new state prison, the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, and advising on recent critical negotiations with Smith Entertainment Group, and Larry H. Miller Company to create vibrant districts downtown and on the westside.*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson focused on internal policies and City practices that were critical to maintain the public's confidence, such as expanding investigations of sexual assault cases, increasing affordable housing budgets, citizen applications for CIP, free speech protections, government transparency, preserving the Council's options and legislative role; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson's career reflects a deep-rooted commitment to community and enduring passion for public service, which was inspired by her family's early lessons in civic engagement; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson's commitment to public service extended to her retention, mentorship and development of staff and created a family feel in the Council office; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson has a unique ability to identify, hire and mentor staff committed to the City and public service; mentoring dozens of City staff from both branches of Salt Lake City's government, establishing a culture of excellence, transparency, and service that will continue as a credit to her example; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson has approached her work with remarkable humility, emphasizing her role to extend the reach of elected officials rather than seeking the spotlight herself, embodying the highest ideals of public service; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Cindy Gust-Jenson's departure from City Hall on January 31, 2025, marks the conclusion of an extraordinary chapter in Salt Lake City history and the beginning of a well-deserved retirement with her husband and family, her beloved Goldendoodle Buddy, and time tending to her garden.*

#### **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,**

*that the Salt Lake City Council and Mayor of Salt Lake City recognize Cindy Gust-Jenson for her outstanding contributions to Salt Lake City, her steadfast leadership, and her unwavering dedication to the people of Salt Lake City.*

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### **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

*that the Salt Lake City Council and Mayor of Salt Lake City extend their heartfelt gratitude to Cindy for her decades of service and wish her happiness and fulfillment in her retirement.*

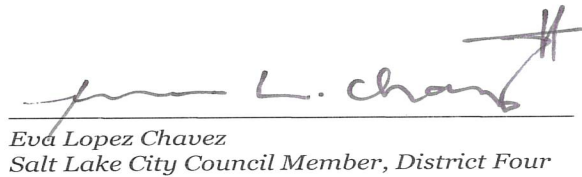
*Adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 2025*

  
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