

**A RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-14

RESOLUTION HONORING ERNEST PIEPER

UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

AS A BASIS AND PREMISE for this Resolution, the Board of Directors of ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT finds and states as follows:

1. Ernest Pieper has tendered his resignation from the Board of Directors of ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT, and the Board has reluctantly accepted it. Mr. Pieper's resignation caps 36 years of service to the District beginning in 1987.
2. These years have been ones of great challenge and change to the District. The newly formed District was very different from the Current District. Changes in crops, the implementation of CVPIA, drought years and zero allocations, water conservation, the implementation of the District's Operations Charge, participation in the Sites Reservoir Project, changes in irrigation methods, annexations of new lands, the refinancing of District debt to the USBR, and implementation of recharge projects are only a few of the challenges Mr. Pieper faced during his tenure on the Board of Directors.
3. Through all of this Mr. Pieper, serving as both a Director and as Vice-President of the Board has remained focused on the Districts primary mission, that is, the delivery of an affordable and reliable water supply to its water users. He has both a keen sense of the history of the District, and an understanding of the need to compromise and adapt to change.

4. Mr. Pieper's service to the District and counsel will be missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, ADJUDGED and ORDAINED that:

1. The Board of Directors expresses the deep gratitude of ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT, its staff, its landowners, and its water users to Ernest Pieper for his many years of service and leadership, and his contributions to the successful operations and development of the District.

2. The Board wishes Mr. Pieper well in his endeavors outside the board room.

3. The Secretary of the Board is directed to present a copy of this Resolution to Mr. Pieper.

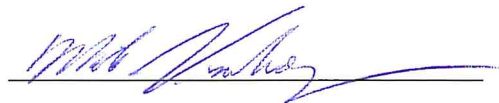
PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Board of Directors of ORLAND-ARTOIS WATER DISTRICT on December 19, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: M. Vereschagin, S. Carlos, B. Erickson, J. Jones, C. Schonauer.

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None



Mike Vereschagin
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Emil Cavagnolo, Secretary