

Resolution Honoring
Retired Sergeant David Babcock (Posthumously)

WHEREAS Officer David Babcock joined the Detroit Police Department on August 18, 1969. Following his graduation from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, he was assigned to the Second Precinct. Officer Babcock had the opportunity to work in various assignments which included the Aviation Section, the Seventh Precinct, and the Crime Laboratory Section, a division responsible for analyzing evidence from crime scenes and interpreting laboratory findings; and

WHEREAS On December 22, 1999, Officer Babcock was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. He ensured members maintained detailed reports regarding the findings of evidence for use in criminal investigations, court proceedings, and witness testimony, while at the Crime Laboratory Section. On January 18, 2000, Sergeant Babcock was assigned to Crime Scene Services, where he managed his team, ensuring the preservation of evidence and promoting a safe work environment. Throughout his tenure, Sergeant Babcock was dedicated to preserving evidence and photographing numerous crime scenes across the city of Detroit and provided expert witness testimony, significantly contributing to the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS Throughout his stellar career, Sergeant Babcock was the recipient of the NFL Super Bowl XL Award, Rosa Parks Funeral Award, MLB All-Star Game Award, 2014 Fireworks Award, six Departmental Citations, several Chief's Merit Awards, the Perfect Attendance Award, the conclusion of Consent and the Confinement Judgement Award; and

WHEREAS Sergeant David Babcock concluded his distinguished career with the Detroit Police Department on September 9, 2022, after dedicating over fifty-three (53) years of service to both the department and the citizens of Detroit. On January 23, 2026, the Family Advocate and Management Liaison for Engagement (FAMLE) received notification of the passing of Retired Sergeant David Babcock, badge S-1132. The Board extends sincere condolences to his family and friends, who will celebrate his remarkable life on Saturday, February 14, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners hereby honor and recognize Retired Sergeant David Babcock for his fifty-three years of faithful and honorable service to the Detroit Police Department and the citizens of the City of Detroit