## HARTNELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

## **RESOLUTION 21:12**

## Naming the Hartnell College Football Field for Charles "Bill" Elliott in Recognition of Outstanding Service and Support to Hartnell Student-Athletes

WHEREAS, Salinas native Charles "Bill" Elliott was a proud Hartnell College football alum throughout his colorful and successful life and an enthusiastic and generous supporter of Hartnell Athletics and its student-athlete competitors; and

WHEREAS, Elliott's enduring legacy at Hartnell and throughout the Salinas Valley community has been lovingly preserved by his wife, Barbara; and

WHEREAS, the generosity of both husband and wife continues to benefit Panther student-athletes through the Bill Elliott Scholarship program, as well as through ongoing athletic success made possible by donations for uniforms, equipment, travel, and facilities;

WHEREAS, Elliott is remembered as a lifelong talented athlete in several sports who was an American Junior College center for the Hartnell Football team in 1957-58, going on to play for the San Jose State University Spartans and being inducted into the Hartnell Athletics Hall of Fame in 2013;

WHEREAS, Elliott served our country in the United States Marine Corps and was a fighter pilot flying F-8 Crusaders, with a love of aviation that was expressed by his having flown in the inaugural California International Airshow, Salinas;

WHEREAS, after his military service, Elliott returned to his beloved Salinas Valley and established a successful career as a financial investment advisor known for integrity and concern for his clients' financial security;

WHEREAS, Hartnell College will forever be honored by its association with Elliott and grateful for the incredible support of both he and Barbara;

WHEREAS, the College seeks to memorialize that bond and preserve it for the appreciation and understanding of future generations;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hartnell Community College District hereby honors Charles "Bill" and Barbara Elliott by renaming the Hartnell Football Field the Bill Elliott Memorial Football Field as a permanent tribute for their cherished support.

Passed and adopted on this 2nd day of November of 2021.

Erica Padilla-Chavez, President Board of Trustees President Raúl Rodríguez, Interim/Superintendent