

## **Talk of the Town Letter December 1, 2021**

### **Mayor Phil Goode**

Dear Citizens of Prescott:

This is my first letter as Mayor, so I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those who are not familiar with me. First, I would like to congratulate my new colleagues on City Council, including Councilman Brandon Montoya, Councilman Eric Moore, and Council Woman Jessica Hall. I look forward to working with each of them, as well as our incumbents.

A little bit about me:

I was born and raised in Sacramento, California. After graduation from high school I enlisted in the U.S. Army in May 1970 and served a full combat tour with the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam. I received the Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal (for over 60 combat assaults), Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with palm, Vietnam Campaign Medal with two bronze stars and many others.

After an honorable discharge from I Army in 1972 (and four additional years of reserve duty) I earned a Bachelor's Degree in Biological Sciences from California State University, Sacramento graduating Magna Cum Laude. I had a 35 year career in I healthcare industry reaching Vice President positions with Medline Industries and Careview Communications and also held management positions with Medivac Industries, Kinetic Concepts Inc. and Applied Medical.

I am a 29 year member of the American Legion (Judge Advocate Post 6, Prescott) and life member of I Veterans of Foreign Wars (Sr. Vice Commander Post 541, Prescott). I was the Co-Chairman of the Veterans Memorial Plaque Committee which in June, 2016 rededicated a bronze memorial on the Yavapai County Courthouse Plaza to the fallen Yavapai County veterans who lost their lives serving the United States in all of the nation's wars beginning with WWI.

I was elected to the board of directors of the Central Yavapai Hospital District in 2016 protecting I taxpayer's assets for Yavapai Regional Medical Center and its ancillary facilities. I recently served as a Commissioner on the City of Prescott's Planning and Zoning Commission and was Co-Chairman of Mayor Oberg's Ad Hoc Committee on Sober Living Rehab Homes.

I serve on the board of directors of the Yavapai Republican Men's Forum and was recently the Vice Chairman of the Yavapai County Republican Committee. I am also an active member of the Citizens Tax Committee which is the taxpayer's watchdog in Yavapai County, where I was the Chairman of the Public Policy Committee. I am a member of Prescott's Sunup Rotary Club. I served on the Yavapai County Teacher of the Year panel and as a member of the Prescott BASIS School Advisory Council. Very I am a member of the Public Policy committee for the Citizens Water Advocacy Group.

Areas of interest during my term will include appropriately managing growth, infrastructure and water use, so that our City will be viable for generations to come. I appreciate the support of the voters of the City of Prescott, and I look forward to serving as your next Mayor, working closely with my fellow Council members, and City staff, to continue to make Prescott a City that we can all be proud of.

Finally, I hope our citizens can get out and enjoy everything that Arizona's Christmas City has to offer! Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Phil Goode, Mayor

City of Prescott