

*The Board of Supervisors of  
Contra Costa County, California*

In the matter of:

**Resolution No. 2010/602**

*Recognizing Auditor-Controller Stephen J. Ybarra on the Occasion of His Retirement*

WHEREAS Stephen J. Ybarra will resign from the position of Auditor-Controller of Contra Costa County on January 3, after more than 38 years of contributing extensively to the people of the state through his professional and civic achievements, and as a tribute to his exemplary record of community services, he is deserving of special public commendation; and

WHEREAS Stephen J. Ybarra was appointed Auditor-Controller by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors on June 1, 2004, and reelected in 2006, Stephen Ybarra brought to this position extensive experience with the Office of Auditor-Controller, including eight years as Assistant Auditor-Controller; and

WHEREAS as Auditor-Controller, Stephen Ybarra has provided direction, results-oriented vision, and masterful leadership, fulfilling his duties with the integrity and professionalism that is imitated by many but achieved by few and earning the respect and admiration of those with whom he has been associated; and

WHEREAS without additional resources Stephen Ybarra directed an internal upgrade of the County's financial system, converting to a paperless-process environment, and the conversion of record retention from microfilm to a micro-imaging process, making information available via the internet and saving the County well over \$15 million in lieu of incorporating an entirely brand new system; and

WHEREAS Stephen Ybarra received commendation for protecting the future of the County Library system by ensuring an addition \$5.5 million for the County Library through his knowledge of the complex property-tax shift requirements and pre-Proposition 13 funding; and

WHEREAS Stephen Ybarra has displayed a deep commitment to his chosen profession, is an active member of the State Association of County Auditors, the Board of Directors for the Contra Costa Federal Credit Union, and has also shared his guidance and leadership as a member of the Government Finance Officers' Association and Association of Government Accountants and as Chair of the Bay Area's Committee of County Auditors; and

WHEREAS he is intelligent and articulate, aware and involved, Stephen Ybarra also serves on the County's Deferred Compensation Advisory Committee, is an OPEB Trustee, a former President of the State Association of County Auditors' Property Tax Managers, and was a member of the State Association's Property Tax Shift Guidelines Committee from 1992 through 1994 and in 2004; and

WHEREAS, an alumni of California State University, Sacramento, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration with a concentration in accounting, Stephen Ybarra also holds certification as a Government Financial Manager; and

WHEREAS throughout his public-service career, Stephen Ybarra has created an enduring legacy of community support though his unsurpassed enthusiasm and commitment to meeting the needs of the public, and his accomplishment will long inspire the citizens of Contra Costa County and beyond;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that this Board takes great pleasure in congratulating Stephen J. Ybarra for providing leadership, thoughtful guidance and mentoring, the demonstrated ability to find solutions and work creatively, and for his valuable service to Contra Costa County, and wishes him many wonderful, exciting, and fulfilling years of retirement.

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**JOHN GIOIA**

Chair,  
District I Supervisor

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**GAYLE B. UILKEMA**

District II Supervisor

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**MARY N. PIEPHO**

District III Supervisor

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**FEDERAL D. GLOVER**

District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 14, 2010

David J. Twa,

By: \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy