The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of: Resolution No. 2010/48

DECLARING JANUARY 29, 2010 AS EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC) AWARENESS DAY AND KICKING-OFF THE ANNUAL EARN IT! KEEP IT! SAVE IT! CONTRA COSTA CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), created in 1975, helps offset Social Security taxes and provides an incentive for work, and

WHEREAS, the EITC assists low income residents including people with limited English proficiency, rural residents, Native Americans, people with disabilities and nontraditional families, and

WHEREAS, the Earned Income Tax Credit is widely recognized as the most effective federal antipoverty program, and

WHEREAS, National EITC Awareness Day is an event organized by the IRS and its community partners to educate the public about the Earned Income Tax Credit and Free Tax Preparation Services, and

WHEREAS, there were 31 free tax preparation sites in Contra Costa County sponsored by the Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Contra Costa campaign (EKS) that assisted 8,657 tax payers claim federal refunds totaling over \$8.6 million including over \$2 million in Earned Income Tax Credits, and

WHEREAS, the total federal tax refunds received by low-income residents in 2009 through the Contra Costa County EKS sites increased by 37% countywide over the previous year.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors on behalf of Contra Costa County, do hereby proclaim January 29, 2010 as "Earned Income Tax Credit Awareness Day" in Contra Costa County and the kick-off of the Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Contra Costa Campaign.

JOHN GIOIA
Chair,

Chair, District I Supervisor

GAYLE B. UILKEMA

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SUSAN A. BONILLA

District IV Supervisor

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: January 26, 2010

David J. Twa,