

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2015/125

Proclaiming April 2015 as “DMV/Donate Life California Month” in Contra Costa County

WHEREAS, organ, tissue, marrow and blood donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and

WHEREAS, more than 122,000 individuals nationwide and more than 22,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and every 90 minutes one person dies while waiting due to the shortage of donated organs; and

WHEREAS, the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic and African American communities; and

WHEREAS, a single individual’s donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of up to 50 others; and a single blood donation can help three people in need; and

WHEREAS, millions of lives each year are saved and healed by donors of organs, tissues, marrow and blood; and

WHEREAS the spirit of giving and decision to donate are not restricted by age or medical condition; and

WHEREAS, over eleven million Californians have signed up with the state-authorized Donate Life California Registry to ensure their wishes to be organ and tissue donors are honored; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Registry when applying for or renewing their driver’s licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa Board of Supervisors proclaims April 2015 as “**DMV/Donate Life California Month**” in Contra Costa County and in doing so encourages all Californians to check “YES!” when applying for or renewing their driver’s license or I.D. card.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,
District I Supervisor

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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: April 14, 2015

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy