

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2015/254

**IN THE MATTER OF HONORING POLICE CHIEF CHARLES C. GIBSON ON HIS SERVICE TO THE
CONTRA COSTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT AND HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Chief Charles C. Gibson was born in the 9th Ward of New Orleans, Louisiana and is the oldest of six children. He graduated from high school in New Orleans and then joined the U.S. Navy where he was assigned to the USS Ranger. He served two terms in Vietnam and received the Vietnam Service Medal. Chief Gibson was a prolific basketball player and received recognition for participation on the United States Diplomatic basketball team; and

WHEREAS, after attending the College of Alameda, he transferred to the California State University at Hayward where he met his lovely wife and earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice Administration. He received his master's degree in Public Administration from California State University, East Bay and he holds an executive certificate from the California Peace Officer Standards and Training Administration. He graduated from the 215th session of the prestigious FBI academy in Quantico, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Chief Gibson began his law enforcement career in 1975 as a Jailer at the Oakland Police Department. During his career as a police officer, he held the following positions: field training officer, traffic follow-up investigator, detective, supervising sergeant of the Youth Services Division where he supervised the juvenile intake unit, PAL, traffic safety and the DARE program. Chief Gibson was promoted to lieutenant February 1996 and served as Community Policing Section Commander, Police Chief of the Oakland Unified School District, Patrol Watch Commander and Police Service Area Commander; and

WHEREAS, Chief Gibson is active in the following organizations: Toastmasters International where he is an Advanced Toastmaster Silver; Board of Directors of Project Reconnect (a non-profit that assists first time juvenile offenders); and former Vice President of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executive (NOBLE). He is also a member of the following organizations: Contra Costa County Police Chiefs Association, California College and University Police Chiefs Association, the International Association of Law Enforcement Administration and the International Association of Chief of Police. He was also the Oakland Exchange Club Officer of the Year for 2004; and

WHEREAS, Chief Gibson is a person of great faith, and an interminable spirit as evidenced by his actions in the Sea of Cortez off the coast of Mexico in July of 2011. At that time, Charles was aboard a fishing boat which capsized in the middle of the night, killing several passengers, and forcing Charles to float for 16 hours in a hostile, shark infested sea. Throughout his ordeal, Chief Gibson never gave in, and subsequently used his experience as the basis for his motivational lecture program called Keep Kick'n.

WHEREAS, after nine and a half years of dedicated, inspiring and motivating leadership, Chief Gibson is retiring from the Contra Costa Community College District Police Department this year, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor the gifted, dedicated and tireless service of Charles C. Gibson, Police Chief of the Contra Costa Community College District and congratulate him on his retirement.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,
District I Supervisor

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District II Supervisor

MARY N. PIEPHO

District III Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF
District IV Supervisor

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: July 21, 2015

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy