The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2015/322

Recognizing the contributions of Steve Kowalewski on his 25 years of service to Contra Costa County.

WHEREAS, in 1990, Steve Kowalewski started his career with the Public Works Department as an Engineer in the Design Division and moved to the Transportation Division in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Steve has been recognized several times in his career with the Public Works Department Award of Excellence: in 1993 for his work on the State Route 4 @ Byron Highway Intersection project; in 1998 for his excellent work on the Marsh Creek Road Alignment Study; in 1999 for his preparation and presentation to a class on the Basic Construction Plan and Right of Way Drawing Reading Class; and in 2002 for the quality of service he provided to our communities in taking the first steps in making the Camino Diablo/Vasco Road Intersection project a reality; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 Steve was promoted to Associate Civil Engineer in Transportation and in 1998 he was promoted again to Senior Civil Engineer in the Transportation Engineering Division; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 Steve and his Team were nominated for the J. Michael Walford Award for working with the City of Brentwood and the East County Transportation Improvement Authority to secure funding for the Camino Diablo/Vasco Road Intersection Project; and

WHEREAS, in February 2003, Steve was promoted to Supervising Civil Engineer in the Transportation Engineering Division; and

WHEREAS, Steve was recognized by Supervisor Mary N. Piepho for taking time out of his personal time on a Saturday to attend an ALL Municipal Advisory Committee meeting to answer community questions and address their concerns and again was recognized in 2005 for his help in making the Annual Alamo Tree Lighting Ceremony safe, secure and an enjoyable environment for everyone in the community; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 Steve received the J. Michael Walford Team of the Year Award for developing the "Community Informer" newsletter that provided FAQ's and other Public Works issues of interest to Municipal Advisory Councils and other neighborhood groups to improve the Public Works Departments communication and relationship with community groups; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 Steve was promoted to Public Works Deputy Director; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 Steve received a "Certificate of Appreciation" for his participation as a team member in the "Challenge Area 7: Improve Intersection and Interchange Safety for Roadway Users" from the Strategic Highway Safety Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 he received an Award of Merit from the American Public Works Association of Northern California; and

WHEREAS, Steve is actively involved in Statewide issues and is currently serving as the Bay Area Regional Director for the County Engineers Association of California; and

WHEREAS, Steve has made a difference in the quality of life for residents of Contra Costa County by delivering top quality services and programs; and

WHEREAS, Steve has a passion for strategic planning and has been the champion in Public Works developing a balanced scorecard to measure performance; and

WHEREAS, Steve is the champion of cooking chili as he won the award for the best chili at the "Annual Public Works Chili Cook-off" for 3 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS BY THE BOARD RESOLVED that Steve Kowalewski be recognized for his 25 year anniversary of dedicated service to Contra Costa County and for the high quality of work performed by him during his career.

CANDACE ANDERSEN 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: September 15, 2015

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy