

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

In the matter of:

**Resolution No. 2015/417**

**Honoring Contra Costa ARC on its 50th anniversary of dedicated, committed, and compassionate service to people with disabilities and their families.**

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC was founded in 1965 by the parents of young children with developmental disabilities to promote their life-long well-being and to foster the development of programs on their behalf; and

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC has fulfilled the vision of its founding parents by developing a wide array of high quality programs and services for children, teenagers and adults throughout Contra Costa County; and Whereas, Contra Costa ARC has provided early intervention services to over 3,000 children providing them with the skills to succeed as they transition to school and later life; and

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC has provided life skills development, job training and employment services to thousands of adults so that they could achieve their highest level of independence and self-sufficiency, as well as providing a valuable service to business and industry in Contra Costa County by connecting hundreds of employers with qualified and highly motivated workers who have disabilities; and

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC has provided peer support, education and referrals to hundreds of parents and family members of children with special needs, and continues to provide direct services and advocacy for over 1000 children, adults and their families every day in Contra Costa and parts of Alameda County; and

Whereas, in 2005, at the request of this Board of Supervisors, Contra Costa ARC accepted responsibility for operation of the George Miller Centers in Richmond and Concord which had previously been operated directly by the County since 1968 - thus saving the services of over 400 individuals and their families; and

Whereas, 2015 marks the completion of the first 10 years of Contra Costa ARC's successful operation of the George Miller Centers; and

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC, by successfully operating the George Miller Centers, has demonstrated, in partnership with the Board of Supervisors, the value of a strong working partnership between the County and its local non-profit organizations; and

Whereas, Contra Costa ARC has shown leadership and inspired positive social change by demonstrating and promoting the abilities and talents of people with developmental disabilities in their local communities throughout Contra Costa County and by demonstrating leadership at the local and state level as an advocate for all individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor Contra Costa ARC on its 50th Anniversary of providing direct services and advocacy to children at risk and to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families in Contra Costa County. And Let it Further Be Resolved, That the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County thanks Contra Costa ARC for its depth and breadth of service, and for its partnership in helping thousands of Contra Costa Country residents live safe, healthy, enriching and engaged lives.

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**JOHN GIOIA**

Chair,  
District I Supervisor

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**CANDACE ANDERSEN**

District II Supervisor

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**MARY N. PIEPHO**

District III Supervisor

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**KAREN MITCHOFF**

District IV 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: November 3, 2015

David J. Twa,

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