

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2015/462

Recognizing Dale Barnett, National Commander of the American Legion as he visits Post 246 in Danville, CA

Whereas, The American Legion National Commander tours the country every year starting in December to meet with local posts. The Commander starts in Hawaii then comes to California and the Bay Area each year but has never visited Department of California, District 9, Contra Costa County; and

Whereas, we welcome Dale Barnett, the first American Legion National Commander to visit Danville, CA; and

Whereas, Dale Barnett was elected national commander of the 22 million-member American Legion September 3, 2015, in Baltimore during the 97th National Convention of America's largest veterans organization; and

Whereas, as a member of American Legion Post 105 in Fayetteville, Georgia, Dale served the American Legion at every level, including Department Commander, Georgia from 2007 to 2008; after leaving the military, Barnett taught high school social studies and coached basketball, baseball and cross country, being named Creekside High School Teacher of the Year in 2005-2006 and a national board certified social studies teacher in 2003; and

Whereas, Dale Barnett served from 1990 to 1991 as the battalion executive officer of the 2nd Battalion, 18th Infantry in Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm; he has been decorated with The Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service medal with two Bronze Service Stars, Humanitarian Service medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge and Pathfinder Badge; and

Whereas, Barnett earned an International Relations/Public Affairs degree at West Point, a Masters of Business Administration from Boston University and graduated from Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; and

Whereas, Dale and his wife Donna, live in Douglasville, Georgia, and have five children and four grandchildren.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor and thank Dale Barnett for his visit to Contra Costa County and for his many years of dedication and service to the United States of America.

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: December 8, 2015

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy