

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

In the matter of:

**Resolution No. 2017/12**

*Honoring the Greater Richmond Interfaith Project (GRIP) on their 50 year anniversary of serving Contra Costa County.*

**Whereas**, the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP) is an interfaith, interracial coalition of 38 member congregations – Buddhists, Christians, Jews, Muslims and Sikh – working together to address critical issues of human dignity and social justice in Contra Costa County since 1966; and

**Whereas**, for 50 years GRIP has provided services and shelter to Contra Costa County’s hungry and homeless and has had a significant impact on our community’s special needs population by offering faith assistance and services to people of need through housing development, public services and economic opportunities; and

**Whereas**, GRIP’s service delivery was enhanced in 2006 upon opening a new 12,000 square feet “Souper Center” Family Housing and Supportive Services Center, a one-stop, integrated service delivery facility providing 75 beds for emergency shelter and transitional housing; and

**Whereas**, GRIP’s work is supported by a network of over 400 volunteers from their member congregations and “friends of GRIP,” who perform tasks ranging from preparing and serving meals to coordinating activities with shelter guests; and

**Whereas**, in fulfillment of its mission and purpose to unite peoples’ thoughts and actions to work together to address issues of racial unrest, economic disparity and social injustice, GRIP has sponsored the “Harmony Walk to End Hunger and Homelessness” since 1986 providing opportunity for congregations and community to raise awareness and funds to support the needs of the homeless and hungry in our midst; and

**Now therefore, be it resolved that** the County of Contra Costa does hereby honor the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program on 50 years of service to Contra Costa County community.

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**CANDACE ANDERSEN**

Chair,  
District II Supervisor

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**JOHN GIOIA**  
District I 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: January 10, 2017

David J. Twa,

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