The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2018/112

Recognition of Thirty-Eight Years of Service to Contra Costa County by Janissa Rowley on the Occasion of her Retirement

Whereas, Janissa Rowley has been an employee of Contra Costa County Community Services since 1991; and with Contra Costa County since 1979; and

Whereas, Janissa has been a leader in the field of early care and education for over fifty years; and

Whereas Janissa has been an assistant teacher, teacher, home visitor, education manager and assistant director throughout her career; and

Whereas Janissa has devoted her career to ensuring that disadvantaged children and their families have access to affordable, quality care; and

Whereas Janissa has embodied the belief that every child and their family has the right to be treated with dignity and respect; and

Whereas Janissa was instrumental in developing the very first childcare partnership in Contra Costa County in the 1990s; and

Whereas Janissa has devoted her career to advocating for equitable pay for early care teachers; and

Whereas Janissa has represented Community Services throughout her career on the Contra Costa Community College District Board, The Local Planning Council for Early Care and Education, Contra Costa Association for the Education of Young

Children, California Childcare Director's Association for the Education of Young Children, California Childcare Director's Association and numerous task forces; and Whereas Janissa has developed several sustainable programs to support and encourage teacher development and education such as the Teacher Assistant Trainee and Teacher Apprenticeship Programs; and

Whereas Janissa has built strong relationships with the community colleges to ensure early care and education teachers have access to quality and affordable education and that there are avenues for higher education; and

Whereas Janissa has led the Community Services Education Team over the past seven years to bring numerous quality initiatives into the classrooms; and

Whereas Janissa's legacy of nurturing staff, children and families and her advocacy and commitment to the field will long be remembered throughout Contra Costa County and the State of California;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County congratulates Janissa Rowley on the occasion of her retirement.

KAREN MITCHOFF

Chair, District IV Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA District I Supervisor CANDACE ANDERSEN District II Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS District III 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: March 27, 2018

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy