The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2018/222

declaring June 2018 Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Awareness Month

Whereas, older adults deserve to be treated with respect and dignity to enable them to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers and vital participating members of our communities; and

Whereas, our population lives longer, we are presented with an opportunity to think about our collective needs and future as a nation; and

Whereas, ageism and social isolation are major causes of elder abuse in the United States; and

Whereas, recognizing that it is up to all of us, to ensure that proper social structures exist so people can retain community and societal connections, reducing the likelihood of abuse; and

Whereas, preventing abuse of older adults through maintaining and improving social supports like senior centers, human services and transportation will allow everyone to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of our communities; and

Whereas, where there is justice there can be no abuse; therefore, Contra Costa County, Ombudsman Services of Contra Costa and Solano and the Contra Costa Family Justice Center urges all people to restore justice by honoring older adults and putting an end to abuse.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby proclaim the month of June 2018 as Elder Abuse Awareness Month in Contra Costa County and encourage all of our communities to recognize and celebrate older adults and their ongoing contributions to the success and vitality of our country.

**KAREN MITCHOFF** Chair, District IV Supervisor

## JOHN GIOIA

District I Supervisor

**DIANE BURGIS** 

District III Supervisor

## CANDACE ANDERSEN District II 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: June 26, 2018

David J. Twa,

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