

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2018/243

Recognizing the 150th Anniversary of the City of Concord

Whereas, after the destruction of the Town of Pacheco by fires, earthquakes and floods, the residents and merchants sought a new homeand; and

Whereas, in 1868, Don Salvio Pacheco, his son Fernando, and his son-in-law Francisco Galindo arranged for a town plan to be surveyed. They called their new town TODOS SANTOS (All Saints), and in 1869, offered free lots to the merchants and residents of Pacheco, and

Whereas, the new town would cover 20 acres and be divided into 19 blocks and the name Todos Santos would not identify the new town for long and within months after Todos Santos has been recorded as the official name, CONCORD was heralded by the Contra Costa Gazette as the actual name, and

Whereas, Concord would prosper as an agricultural support community for central Contra Costa County during the 1800s and by 1879 reached a population of 300, and

Whereas, the population would double by February 1905, with the incorporation of the “Town of Concord”; and

Whereas, starting in 1942, the Concord Naval Weapons Station (CNWS) began as the U.S. Naval Magazine, Port Chicago, an annex to the long-established Mare Island Naval Shipyard and Mare Island magazine. The depot built up rapidly to support the heavy explosives demands of World War II in the Pacific; and

Whereas, the CNWS would remain active in various ways until 1999; and

Whereas, with a population of 6,500 in 1948, the Town of Concord became the City of Concord; and

Whereas, today, Concord is the largest city in Contra Costa County with a population of approximately 130,000; and

Whereas, Concord is an ethnically and generationally diverse community; and

Whereas, Concord has been designated a Tree City USA for 33 consecutive years; and

Whereas, the City of Concord holds events throughout the year to bring the community together including Concord Farmers’ Market, Music and Market, July 4th Run, Parade, and Fireworks, Concord’s Official Tree Lighting; and

Whereas, Concord has the most jobs of any city in Contra Costa County, including the headquarters of BevMo and Round Table Pizza; and

Whereas, Concord has a thriving restaurant culture with over twenty types of international cuisine including: Italian, Afghan, Indian, Vietnamese, Korean, Peruvian, German and many more; and

Whereas, Concord VIBE captures the essence of fun and entertainment in Concord, and the Annual Beer Release Party is an annual event for friends to get together and for local businesses to introduce themselves to the community; and

Whereas, Concord is home to many permanent forms of shopping and entertainment including the Six Flag Hurricane Harbor Concord, Pixieland Amusement Park, the Veranda, Sun Valley Mall, the Willows Shopping Center, the Concord Pavilion; and

Whereas, Concord is currently in the planning process for redeveloping the former Concord Naval Weapons Station.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors does hereby honor the City of Concord on their 150th anniversary for your resilience, concordance, longevity and your contributions to our county.

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: June 26, 2018

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy