

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

In the matter of:

**Resolution No. 2018/542**

**LAUNCHING THE 2018 "CONTRA COSTA COUNTY CARES" HOLIDAY FOOD FIGHT**

WHEREAS, the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, which originated as a Contra Costa County project, works heroically on the front line of the daily effort to address this issue, providing food to 122,000 residents of Contra Costa County on a monthly basis, a number that has slightly increased since last year; and

WHEREAS, one in eight people in this County need the Food Bank's assistance at this time; and

WHEREAS, climate, housing shortages, and other societal pressures create extra demands on the Food Bank's budget, due to reduced access to fresh produce, as well as the necessity to serve people needing extra help to make ends meet and navigate their changing situations; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank is enabled, by our monetary donations, to purchase and distribute fresh produce, which makes up nearly 60% of everything they dispense to our neighbors; and

WHEREAS, approximately 7,000 employees of Contra Costa County, in virtually every department, have since 2002 been holding this annual drive to serve the residents of Contra Costa County who are in need of a helping hand, and have themselves in that time span raised \$1.3 million in this effort; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 Counties Care - Holiday Food Fight will take place between November 19 and December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, County employees encourage the public to participate in the "2018 Counties Care - Holiday Food Fight" between the employees of Contra Costa and Solano counties by donating generously and often to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano online in a corresponding "people-to-people" challenge;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby recognizes this great and constant need in the community, and commends, encourages, and challenges employees and residents of Contra Costa and Solano counties to open their hearts and wallets to assist the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano and its client organizations during the coming holiday season; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby officially continues the annual challenge with Solano County and kicks off the "2018 Counties Care - Holiday Food Fight"; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby encourages all citizens of Contra Costa and Solano counties to extend the generous holiday spirit throughout the year to help those less fortunate.

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**KAREN MITCHOFF**

Chair, District IV Supervisor

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**JOHN GIOIA**

District I Supervisor

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**CANDACE ANDERSEN**

District II Supervisor

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**DIANE BURGIS**

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**FEDERAL D. GLOVER**

District III Supervisor

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: November 6, 2018

David J. Twa,

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