

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2019/638

Proclaim United Against Hate Week in Contra Costa County

WHEREAS, the United States is a nation of immigrants, whose strength comes from our diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution enshrines equality on all individuals, regardless of race, gender, orientation, religion, ancestry, or political views; and

WHEREAS, recent federal policies and rhetoric have generated a toxic environment that encourages the propagation of racist, xenophobic, sexist, homophobic, Islamophobic,

anti-semitic and other bigoted views by emboldened hate groups and individuals; and

WHEREAS, deep divisions within our country allow for the festering of extreme ideology, further strengthening a cycle of mistrust and suspicion fueled by fear, anxiety, and

insecurity; and

WHEREAS, the number of hate crimes across the United States has increased dramatically over the past couple of years; and

WHEREAS, 2018 was the inaugural year of United Against Hate Week designed to engaged communities, in an annual week of action, in creating the support systems to respond when hate happens and prevent

incidents of hate in the future; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County is deeply committed to inclusivity and equity; and

WHEREAS, The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors has previously declared Contra Costa County a Welcoming County, recognizing that a community is strongest when everyone feels welcomed, and brings immigrants, refugees, and the broader community together to develop inclusive policies, programs, and initiatives that build welcoming and loving communities; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County Stands United Against Hate and desires to state our shared values and reiterate our commitment to inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, education, compassion, and cooperation are key to understanding and embracing differences between people; and

WHEREAS, sponsoring a United Against Hate Week is an important step in bridging divisions and healing communities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the week of November 17, 2019 through November 23, 2019 as United Against Hate Week in Contra Costa County.

JOHN GIOIA
Chair, District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN
District II Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF
District IV 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: November 19, 2019

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy