# The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2019/656

Honoring Whitney Dotson, Retiring Board Member of the East Bay Regional Park District

Whereas, Whitney Dotson, a long-term resident of Parchester Village, Richmond, was elected to the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District in November 2008; and

Whereas Director Dotson is a well-known community activist who served as president and currently vice-president of his neighborhood council; president of North Richmond Shoreline Open Space Alliance, a group of community and environmental organizations and individuals working to save access to the open space along the northern shoreline of Richmond; associate director of the Neighborhood House of North Richmond, a non-profit agency that provided services to North Richmond residents; and vice chair of the Community Advisory Group monitoring the cleanup of Campus Bay and UC Berkeley Richmond Field Station; and Whereas, Prior to being elected to the board, Mr. Dotson served as an appointed member of the Park District Park Advisory Committee; and Whereas, Director Dotson represents Albany, Berkeley, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Kensington, part of Pinole, Richmond and San Pablo. Parks in his ward include Brooks Island, Kennedy Grove, McLaughlin Eastshore, Miller/Knox, Point Isabel, Point Pinole, Sobrante Ridge, Tilden, and Wildcat Canyon; and Whereas, In his time on the board, Director Dotson supported several significant projects in his ward, including the Atlas Road Bridge at Pt. Pinole, completion of the Bay Trail between Pinole Shores and Bayfront Park, restoration of Albany Beach, restoration of the now-named Dotson Family Marsh at Point Pinole, and the soon-to-be-completed Bay Trail segment between Berkeley and Albany; and Whereas, After a decade of dedicated service, Director Dotson is retiring from the board of the East Bay Regional Park District;

"Director Dotson has been a champion for parks and their public health benefits," said Park District General Manager Robert Doyle. "He has been a tireless advocate for protecting the shoreline, expanding shoreline access, and environmental justice, with a career spanning over 60 years."

That the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby thank Director Whitney Dodson for his inspirational service to the people and environment of the East Bay Regional Park District and wish him the very best on future endeavors.

#### **JOHN GIOIA**

Chair, District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN	DIANE BURGIS
District II Supervisor	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: December 10, 2019
David J. Twa,

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