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

In the matter of:

**Resolution No. 2019/661** 

In the matter of honoring Larry Sly, the Executive Director of the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano on his retirement

Whereas, Larry has served at the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano for 43 years and has made a lasting impact in the lives of community members in need not only in Contra Costa and Solano but throughout the state; and

Whereas, Larry Sly graduated from UC Berkeley, joined the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano and quickly became Executive Director; and

Whereas, he started as a truck driver, picking up bread from grocery stores to be distributed to the Food Bank's network of 17 agencies; and

Whereas, Larry has guided the Food Bank's development from an organization that distributed 36,000 pounds of food in its first year to one that distributed over 25 million pounds of food in 2018; and

Whereas, Larry has served as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of Feeding America; and

Whereas, Larry was Chair of the Board for the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce and a past President of the Rotary Club of Concord; and Whereas, he is currently on the Board of Directors of the California Association of Food Banks and is the Chair of the Emergency Food and Shelter board; and Whereas, he has been chosen to be on the Fresh Look Advisory Committee – a group convened by the California Department of Social Services that is looking to revamp how food for low-income individuals is delivered across the state; and Whereas, Larry is a recipient of the John Van Hengel award – an award given out by Feeding America for lifetime achievement in Food Banking; and Whereas, he has advocated for public policies that benefit low-income people at the federal, state and local level and has overseen the development of an Advocacy program at the Food Bank.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors recognizes Larry Sly on the occasion of his retirement and honors his hard work to ensure those in need have food on their table.

## **JOHN GIOIA**

Chair, District I Supervisor

**CANDACE ANDERSEN** 

**DIANE BURGIS** 

District II Supervisor

District III Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

District IV 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: December 17, 2019
David J. Twa,
By:, Deputy