

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2020/135

Recognizing the Month of May 2020 as CalFresh Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD) along with the CalFresh Partner Group, comprised of The Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, Family Economic Security Partnership, Multi-Faith ACTION Coalition, and Meals on Wheels, is committed to increasing CalFresh participation and awareness for residents in Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, encouraging eligible residents to enroll in CalFresh will increase access to healthy, affordable food; and

WHEREAS, EHSD's partnership with the community will raise awareness and the visibility of the CalFresh program; and

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, CalFresh has supported families by providing emergency benefits, implementing program flexibilities and establishing new programs to ensure Californians continue to have access to food; and

WHEREAS, due to extensive economic impacts of COVID-19, some individuals and families may be eligible to receive CalFresh for the first time ever; and

WHEREAS, approximately 62,000 Contra Costa County residents received CalFresh as of February, 2020; and

WHEREAS, CalFresh benefits drive over \$158 million in total economic activity annually in Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County is one of 34 counties in the state to offer the CalFresh Employment and Training Program, providing CalFresh participants training and assistance towards job readiness, job security, work norms and access to higher education; and

WHEREAS, actively promoting CalFresh participation by having all County departments participate in CalFresh awareness throughout Contra Costa by including CalFresh information and a link to the MyBenefits CalWIN site on their individual websites will result in increased participation in the CalFresh program, as well as favorable economic and health outcomes for Contra Costa County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim May 2020 as CalFresh Awareness Month in Contra Costa County, and honors all of the individuals, organizations and agencies working to ensure that all County residents have access to safe, nutritious food and support in achieving sustainable economic health.

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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: May 12, 2020

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy