

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2020/271

In the matter of recognizing Vincent Wells as 2020 Labor Leader of the Year.

Whereas, Vincent “Vince” Wells started his career serving in the United States Air Force for eight years and served in the first war in Iraq; and
Whereas, he began his career in Public Safety in Mariposa County and began his fire service with CALFIRE and then with the City of Fairfield; and
Whereas, in 1997, Vince began his service with the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District and worked through the ranks of Fire Paramedic to Fire Captain Paramedic, and retired this March after 23 years of service; and
Whereas, he is well respected among firefighters in the Bay Area for his professionalism, progressive leadership style, and his ability to build strong relations between career firefighters and the community; and
Whereas, Vince has served as an elected Board Member for 19 years with the United Professional Firefighters of Contra Costa County I.A.F.F. Local 1230, representing more than 430 union members and covering seven fire districts/departments which include: City of Pinole Fire Department, City of El Cerrito Fire Department, Rodeo Hercules Fire District, Moraga Orinda Fire District, Kensington Fire District, East Contra Costa Fire Protection District and Contra Costa County Fire Protection District; and
Whereas, he is a strong supporter of the Labor movement, he has worked with California firefighters and other unions across the state dealing with legislative initiatives that impact working families across the state of California; and
Whereas, within Local 1230, Vince has worked on negotiating for better contracts, fair wages, benefits, pensions and negotiating bargaining agreements between union and district/departments; and
Whereas, he has served on numerous committees and chairs with Local 1230, Board Representative from 2001-2005, Vice President 2005-2008, Interim President and later current President since 2008; and
Whereas, he is currently serving his third term as an Executive Board member for the Contra Costa County Central Labor Council; and
Whereas, over the last two years, Vince has been elected 4th District Vice President of the California Professional Firefighters, representing Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, Sonoma, Napa, and Marin Counties.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors honor Vincent Wells, the 2020 Labor Leader of the Year Awardee, for his leadership, commitment and service to our community.

CANDACE ANDERSEN
Chair, District II Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA
District I 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: October 20, 2020

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy