

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2021/40

In the Matter of Honoring the Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District on the Occasion of their 70th Anniversary

WHEREAS, in 1949, a grassroots Recreation Council was formed by a group of concerned parents and the principal of the Pleasant Hill Grammar School to plan after school recreational programs for children; and

WHEREAS, in a special election on January 19, 1951, the voters approved the Pleasant Hill Park, Recreation & Parkway District, which was the first governmental agency established in the area; and whose main purpose was to provide parks and recreation programs to enhance the quality of life for its residents, a purpose that continues to this day; and

WHEREAS, in October 1952, the first parcel of 4.5 acres of land was purchased to build Pleasant Hill Park and construction began in April 1954; and

WHEREAS, in September 1957, the District officially changed its name from the Pleasant Hill Park, Recreation & Parkway District to Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, the Pleasant Hill Community Center and the Pleasant Hill Senior Center opened for the first time; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Pleasant Hill voters made history with the approval of Measure E, a \$28 million General Obligation Bond dedicated specifically for District facility upgrades, which included rebuilding the Pleasant Hill Senior and Community Centers, building a new Teen Center, and upgrading Pleasant Oaks Park; and

WHEREAS, Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District provides and manages extensive District-owned parks, facilities, open space, and recreation programs and events throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the District's broad impact includes serving over 40,000 people within the community, an area about 20% larger than of the City of Pleasant Hill and touches approximately 100,000+ persons who participate in programs, visit District facilities, or volunteer annually; and

WHEREAS, the District preserves and protects natural resources of California by conscientiously and proactively maintaining the District's 269 acres of parkland and open space; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District positively impacts the community by promoting an active, healthy life-style for preschool, youth, teens, adults and seniors and fosters self-enrichment and personal development through offering over 2,300 classes, programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, the District improves community safety and security by providing positive recreational activities and safe environments for at-risk groups; and

WHEREAS, the Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District maintains and drives community economic value by providing diverse programs, well-maintained neighborhoods and community parks, trails and open spaces to attract and retain residents, businesses, athletic organizations and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the District strengthens community engagement by working closely with community partners and clubs, coordinating volunteer activities, co-sponsoring community events, and supporting local charities.

Now Therefore be it Resolved that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors recognizes the Pleasant Hill Recreation & Park District for their 70 years of service to our community and for your dedication to developing community programs and creating beautiful parks and facilities.

DIANE BURGIS

Chair, District III Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II 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: February 2, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator

By: _____, Deputy