The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2021/402

In the Matter of Honoring Scott Denison, General Manager of the Lesher Center for the Arts on the Occasion of his Retirement

Whereas, Scott Denison has served as the general manager of the Lesher Center of the Arts for 32 years; and

Whereas, Scott has worked for five decades in the arts in Walnut Creek; and

Whereas, he is the managing director for the City's Center REPertory Company; and

Whereas, Scott graduated from Las Lomas High School, Diablo Valley College, and San Francisco State University with a degree in Theater Arts; and

Whereas, he worked at the Walnut Creek Civic Arts Theatre (aka the Nuthouse) until it was replaced by the Lesher Center, which he helped to open in 1990; and

Whereas, throughout his career, Scott has served as actor, director, and producer; and

Whereas, he has directed 23 productions of "A Christmas Carol;" and

Whereas, Scott is the creator and producer of the annual Shellie Award for the last 41 years and the Chevron Family Theatre Festival for 13 years; and

Whereas, Scott led the Lesher Center through the COVID-19 pandemic and welcomed back patrons in July of 2021; and

Whereas, his love of theater will continue into his retirement, as Scott will continue writing and directing original music and shows through the Fantasy Forum, which features original music and uses a Disney-like approach to the theater; and

Whereas, he is married to Kerri Shawn, his wife of 48 years, and has three daughters, Jenny, Amanda, and Kelley, and three grandchildren.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors recognizes Scott Denison on the occasion of his retirement and honors his hard work and dedication to the development and expansion of the arts in our community.

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: December 7, 2021
Monica Nino, County Administrator