

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2022/493

In the matter of honoring Beverly Lane, East Bay Regional Park District Board Member, on her retirement

WHEREAS, Ms. Beverly W. Lane studied English and history at Occidental College, going on to earn a Masters in Public Administration from California State University, Hayward and was a Coro Foundation Fellow; and

WHEREAS, Beverly first moved to Danville with her husband, Jim, and three sons in 1973, where she was among the first members of the Danville Town Council and served as Mayor of the Town of Danville where she continually advocated for open space and increased public transportation; and

WHEREAS, she spent her career as a meticulous historian focusing on the natural and cultural resources of the San Ramon Valley, authored four books and many columns about local history, supported museum school programs, produced a number of exhibits both in Danville and at the Contra Costa History Center in Martinez; and

WHEREAS, she has served with the League of Women Voters (California), chaired the Central Contra Costa Transportation Authority, California League of Cities, Occidental College Alumni, Oakland Museum of California History, and the Contra Costa County Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, Beverly served as president of California Elected Women and the Eugene O'Neill Foundation, co-chair of Friends of the San Ramon Creek, board of the Tao House and California Women Lead, curator at the Museum of the San Ramon Valley (where she also served as the founding president for the museum's Board of Trustees), and as the former President of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail Foundation; and

WHEREAS, she spearheaded efforts to create an agricultural park in Danville as well as establishing the Calaveras Ridge Trail; and

WHEREAS, Beverly has been awarded the Association of Bay Area Governments Growing Smarter Together Award for Distinguished Leadership, the American Trails Trail Advocacy Award, the California Recreational Trails Committee Award, and Town of Danville Citizen of the Year Award twice; and

WHEREAS, she was also awarded the Open Gate Award from the Eugene O'Neill Foundation, the Mountain Star Award from Save Mount Diablo, the California Trails Committee Award from the California Greenways and Trails Conference, was recognized as a Tri-Valley Hero and Woman of the Year in the area's State Senate district; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as an East Bay Regional Park District Board Member, she led efforts to establish and extend the East Bay's Iron Horse Regional Trail, inspired the creation of the Cultural Service Coordinator position, supported numerous Park District and regional revenue measures; and

WHEREAS, she was a champion for Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50 for over 20 years and engaged countless families to get more children outdoors; and

WHEREAS, Beverly has served on the East Bay Regional Park District Board representing Ward 6 including portions of the San Ramon Valley and 16 parks since 1994, including the opening of Sycamore Valley Open Space Park; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Beverly W. Lane continues to be passionate about the preservation of open spaces, improving access to parks, increasing the number of trails and promoting volunteer opportunities.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors recognizes Beverly Lane on the occasion of her retirement and honors her hard work and dedication to our open spaces, parks and outdoor recreation, and the history of our community.

KAREN MITCHOFF

Chair, District IV Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA
District I Supervisor

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District II Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS
District III 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 13, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator

By: _____, Deputy