

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

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2023/52

Honoring the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation for Their Contributions to the Leshar Library at the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility for the past 15 years.

WHEREAS, the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation contributed \$70,000 in 2007 to establish a library at the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility in Byron, and

WHEREAS, the Dean and Margaret Leshar Library opened at the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility with over 4500 books in September 2008, and

WHEREAS, the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation enhanced library services for the residents of the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility through grant allocations of \$115,000 for the Leshar Library over the past fifteen years, and

WHEREAS, the purchase of new, current titles selected each month with input from the residents at the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility ensured that the residents received a continuous influx of new and relevant reading materials, so that the collection reflected their life experiences, and

WHEREAS, the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility Leshar Library meets the community outcome of Children Ready for and Succeeding in School and Children and Youth Healthy and Preparing for Productive Adulthood, and

WHEREAS, the Dean Margaret Leshar Foundation and their generous donations of books encouraged the joy of reading and sparked an innate curiosity for the residents of the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility through positive experiences with books and reading, and

WHEREAS, the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation provided opportunities for lifelong learning to the residents of the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility through the generosity of their annual donations to the Leshar Library so that residents enjoyed reading for pleasure, saw their lives reflected in books, and shared their joys and experiences with library staff, and

WHEREAS, the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation will continue to support the Juvenile Hall Library now that the Leshar Library is closed due to the closing by the County of the Orin Allen Youth Rehabilitation Facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize and thank the Dean and Margaret Leshar Foundation for their fifteen years of generous service to the youth of Contra Costa County.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair, District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III Supervisor

KEN CARLSON

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 28, 2023

Monica Nino, County Administrator

By: _____, Deputy