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The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of launching the 2011
"Contra Costa County Cares" holiday food fight

RESOLUTION NO. 2011/457

WHEREAS, there is growing unemployment, economic hardship, resulting in loss of homes, greater food insecurity, and even more hunger than in past years, in this County and in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, which originated as a Contra Costa County effort, works heroically on the front line of the effort to address this issue, providing food directly and through countless agencies to well over 89,000 Contra Costa County residents this year, an increase of 63% in just four years; and

WHEREAS, close to 7,000 employees of Contra Costa County, in virtually every department, have since 2002 been holding this annual drive to serve the residents of Contra Costa County who are in need of a helping hand, and have in that time span raised a grand total of \$638,226 (on our way to a million-dollars!); and

WHEREAS, the County of Contra Costa regained the Big Apple Trophy from Solano County during the 2010 "Counties Care" friendly "food fight" and will work hard to retain it in 2011; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 Contra Costa County fund/food drive will take place between November 21 and December 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, this year's challenge will chart success in numbers of meals provided per employee dollars contributed during the 2011 holiday season to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano; and

WHEREAS, the County employees encourage the public to participate by donating funds, food and volunteer energy to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano online in a corresponding "people-to-people" challenge between the counties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby commends, encourages, and challenges employees and residents of Contra Costa and Solano counties to open their hearts and wallets to assist the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano and its client organizations during the coming holiday season; and

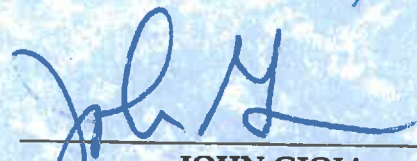
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby officially continues the annual challenge with Solano County and kicks off the 2011 "Counties Care Friendly Food Fight"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County hereby encourages all citizens of Contra Costa and Solano counties to extend the generous holiday spirit throughout the year to help those less fortunate.

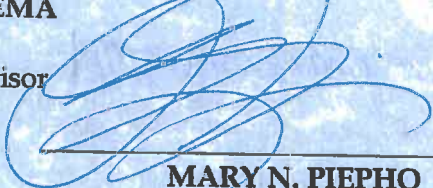
PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 1st day of November, 2011.


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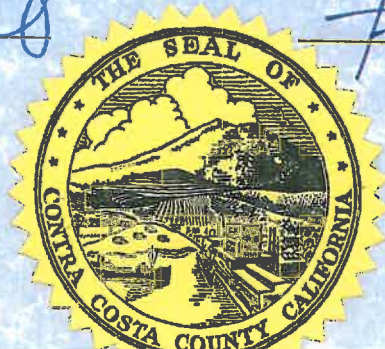
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