The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of honoring Elaine S. Prendergrast on her Service to the Residents of Contra Costa County and Retirement from the Center for Human Development

Resolution No. 2015/92

WHEREAS, Elaine Prendergast grew up on a family farm in Illinois, and was pulled from an early age to urban life, earning an undergraduate degree in journalism from Iowa State University, Ames, and a masters in organizational leadership from Chapman University; and

WHEREAS, after moving to the San Francisco Bay Area, Elaine Prendergast worked as a freelancer in the book publishing industry and soon learned she received greater satisfaction from community volunteering; and

WHEREAS, this volunteering included working as a Parent Educator for the Center for Human Development (CHD) in Concord in 1987. At this time, little did Elaine know she would advance with the organization in various leadership roles to serve as Associate Director and Executive Director, a position she's had since 2001; and

WHEREAS, the many meaningful and impactful projects and programs Ms. Prendergast has helped lead at the CHD include facilitating the monthly meetings of the Bay Point Partnership, and forging the partnership between the organization and the Contra Costa Health Services' Reducing Health Disparities Unit, bringing staff of the African American Health Conductors and the Promotoras under the CHD umbrella in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Elaine is also past co-chair of the Contra Costa Tobacco Prevention Coalition, past chair of the executive committee of the Contra Costa Contractors Alliance, and a 2008 graduate of Leadership Contra Costa. She has also served on the board of FORCE, a national advocacy group for women facing hereditary breast and ovarian cancer; and

WHEREAS, after almost 15 years of dedicated, effective, and compassionate leadership, Elaine Prendergast is retiring from the Center for Human Development this year, 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor the gifted, dedicated and tireless service of Elaine Prendergast, Executive Director of the Center for Human Development, and congratulate her on her retirement.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 31st day of March, 2015.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF

District IV Supervisor

ABSENT

FEDERAL D. GLOVER
District V Supervisor

MARY N. PIEPHO

District III 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: March 31, 2015

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By Sephanie Z. Mello, Deputy

Introduced by Supervisor Gioia