

Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

IN THE MATTER OF HONORING ARAM HODESS ON HIS RETIREMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016/350

WHEREAS, Aram Hodess joined the Plumbers/Steamfitters Local 159, located in Martinez, California, in 1972, completing a plumber/steamfitter apprenticeship in 1977; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, Aram Hodess was elected Assistant Business Manager/Financial-Secretary Treasurer of Local 159, and Business Manager in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Aram Hodess served as a member and chair of Local 159's Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee (JATC), a joint Labor-Management Committee overseeing a 5-year training program for apprentices as well as upgrading, training and recertification classes; and

WHEREAS, Aram Hodess served on EBMUD's Future Water Supply Committee, where he helped advise the utility on how to meet the East Bay's water needs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodess served as an appointee of Senate Pro Tem John Burton on the State Employment Training Panel, a successful performance-based vocational training program which gives training grants to California businesses; and

WHEREAS, Aram Hodess represented the California Department of Education and State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tom Torlakson, on the California Apprenticeship Council, which oversees California Apprenticeship programs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hodess is a strong supporter of vocational training including union apprenticeships as a pathway to good paying careers; and

WHEREAS, Aram Hodess has also served on the Contra Costa Workforce Development Board, and has helped plan and fundraise for building trades pre-apprenticeship programs in Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, after a devoted, long career of helping younger generations achieve the living wages, job security, and dignity of union careers, Aram Hodess is retiring.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby congratulate and recognize

Aram Hodess

on his retirement, thank him for his dedicated service to the community, and wish him well in future endeavors.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 26th day of April, 2016.

Candace Andersen
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Chair,
District II Supervisor

John Gioia
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District I Supervisor

Mary N. Piepho
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District III Supervisor

Karen Mitchoff
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District IV Supervisor

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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: April 26, 2016

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

By *Stephanie Hells*, Deputy