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*Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California*

**IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNIZING MARY WHATFORD
UPON HER RETIREMENT AS RECORDER OPERATIONS
MANAGER IN THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
CLERK-RECORDER DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2016/567

WHEREAS, Mary Whatford joined the Contra Costa County Clerk-Recorder Department on June 7, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mary oversaw the Department's Recording Unit beginning in August, 1996; holding many titles as she progressed through the ranks to serve the last 18 years as Recorders Operations Manager; and

WHEREAS, during Mary's tenure she oversaw the recording, imaging, and indexing of more than 10,000,000 documents by the Recording Unit, making possible the constructive notice of real property transactions to the public; and

WHEREAS, Mary lead the successful implementation of Department's Electronic Document Recording System which has grown to account for more than 50 percent of documents submitted for recording; and

WHEREAS, Mary excelled as a liaison with Title Companies; interfacing with them daily and providing excellent customer service that elicited endless compliments and praise; and

WHEREAS, Mary was responsible for the development of a Deputy Commissioner of Marriage training program in which she trained and mentored staff by drawing from her own years of experience by joining approximately 5,000 couples in matrimony – an activity she expressed as fulfilling and "warming" to the heart; and

WHEREAS, while working full time for the Clerk-Recorder Department, Mary concurrently enjoyed a long and extensive career as a basketball referee, moving up the ranks from officiating youth and high school basketball to junior college and Division 1 women's college games including Pac 12, Big Sky, WCC, and WAC conferences, as well as NCC post season tournaments; and

WHEREAS, Mary is an avid cyclist, having participated in the Lake Tahoe Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the Waves to Wine Multiple Sclerosis fundraising rides for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mary's dedication and strong work ethic are evidenced by her calling in sick only one day in 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Mary's most enjoyable "claim to fame" is sharing with people that she and Tom Hanks were both born in Contra Costa County on the same day (different year); and

WHEREAS, Mary dedicated more than 28 years to serving the residents of Contra Costa County and beyond, and now looks forward to pursuing other passions and spending time with family and friends, including camping and traveling.

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

Mary Whatford

for her remarkable service and dedication to Contra Costa County.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 1ST day of November, 2016.


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Chair,
District II Supervisor


JOHN GIOIA
District I Supervisor


KAREN MITCHOFF
District IV Supervisor


MARY N. PIEPHO
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: November 1, 2016

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

By Stephanie Mello, Deputy