## Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

IN THE MATTER OF HONORING THE CONTRA COSTA CHORALE ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF COMMUNITY-DRIVEN MUSICAL EXCELLENCE

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016/578** 

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Chorale was formed in 1966 as the Richmond Symphony Chorus under the leadership of Joseph Liebling; and

WHEREAS, when the Richmond Symphony Orchestra disbanded, the Richmond Symphony Chorus was taken under the wing of Contra Costa College as one of its community education offerings; and

WHEREAS, through the past 50 years the Contra Costa Symphony Chorus and later the Contra Costa Chorale has performed a diverse repertoire of classical and popular choral music for residents of Contra Costa County; and

WHEREAS, in its history the Contra Costa Chorale has sung under the leadership of a number of talented choral directors, including Milton Williams, Paul Perry, Dick Kramer, Michael Carlson, and John Montanero; and

WHEREAS, since 2012 Cindy Beitmen has been the director of the Chorale and has inspired the group to new artistic heights; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Chorale has annually serenaded groups throughout the Bay Area during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Chorale has recently become the "go-to" chorus for the Star Spangled Banner; and

WHEREAS, some of the original members of the Contra Costa Chorale are still singing with the group today; and

WHEREAS, the Contra Costa Chorale is looking forward to expanding its presence in Contra Costa County, particularly in the schools; and

WHEREAS, the Chorale's fall concert, "I Love You California," will feature California's rich musical heritage from the time of the missions through the 21st century.

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

Contra Costa Chorale

on fifty years of providing musical excellence by and for the community.

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

CANDACE ANDERSEN

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 Stephania Wells, Deputy