

Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California

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IN THE MATTER OF LAUNCHING THE 2016 "CONTRA
COSTA COUNTY CARES" HOLIDAY FOOD FIGHT

RESOLUTION NO. 2016/646

WHEREAS, one in eight people still turn to the Food Bank for food assistance in this County; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, which originated as a Contra Costa County project, works heroically on the front line of the daily effort to address this issue, providing food to 125,000 residents of Contra Costa County, a stubbornly consistent number over the past three years despite the so called "healing" economy; and

WHEREAS, the current drought is creating extra demands on the Food Bank's budget due to higher produce costs; and

WHEREAS, hunger exists in every corner of our community and affects people of all ages, ethnicities, education levels and employment status; and

WHEREAS, approximately 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 themselves in that time span raised over \$1,000,000 in this effort; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Contra Costa County funds for food drive will take place between November 21 and December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, County employees encourage the public to participate in the 2016 "Counties Care: Peace, Love, and Veggies III Holiday Food Fight" between the employees of Contra Costa and Solano counties by donating generously and often 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 does hereby recognize this great and growing need in the community, and does commend, encourage, and challenge 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 does hereby officially continue the annual challenge with Solano County and kick off the 2016 "Counties Care: Peace, Love, and Veggies III Holiday Food Fight"; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby encourage 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 15th day of November, 2016.


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Chair,
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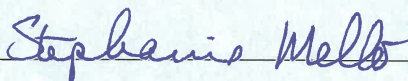
District V Supervisor



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 15, 2016

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

By  Deputy