

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

IN THE MATTER OF

RESOLUTION NO. 2016/648

*Expressing appreciation to State Senator Lois Wolk, 3rd Senate District,
For her service to Contra Costa County*

WHEREAS, during her many years of public service, Lois Wolk has earned a reputation as a problem solver by successfully tackling difficult issue areas such as water, end-of-life care, firearm violence prevention, flood management, elder abuse, political reform, transportation, and health; and has authored over 100 new laws over her 12 years serving in the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, elected to the State Senate in 2008, Senator Wolk represents the Third Senate District, which includes all of Napa and Solano Counties, most of Yolo County, several cities in Sonoma and Contra Costa Counties, and a portion of Sacramento County; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wolk serves as the Majority Whip and chairs Senate Budget Subcommittee #2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy and Transportation. She serves on numerous policy committees, the California Wildlife Conservation Board's Legislative Advisory Committee and is a liaison advisor to the Delta Conservancy Board; and

WHEREAS, prior to her election to the State Senate, Wolk served three terms — from 2002 to 2008 — as the representative for the Eighth Assembly District. She was the first woman to chair the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee, and used her four-year chairmanship to bring heightened attention to important topics including flood protection, the crisis in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, water management and climate change, land use, state parks, fisheries, and invasive species; and

WHEREAS, before serving in the State Legislature, Wolk built a long record of community and public service. A resident of Davis since 1978, she won a seat on the Davis City Council in 1990, and served two terms as Mayor from 1992-94 and 1996-98. From 1998 to 2002, Wolk served as Yolo County Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Senator Wolk was one of the authors of the landmark End of Life Option Act, a 2015 measure that provides mentally competent, terminally ill adults the option of requesting a doctor's prescription for aid-in-dying drugs to painlessly and peacefully shorten their dying process; and


WHEREAS, Wolk was also one of two lead authors of Proposition 1, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. In 2007, Wolk led efforts to craft a package of laws to strengthen flood protection in California's Central Valley and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta region, authoring two bills in the package;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby congratulates Senator Lois Wolk upon completion of two consecutive terms in the California State Senate, three consecutive terms in the California State Assembly, and one term with the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, and expresses its appreciation and admiration for her leadership in upholding integrity and personal ethics in business and government, for her leadership in water policy and flood management, and for her work to improve safety conditions on State Highway Route 12; prevent elder abuse; and support preservation of parks, recreation, open space, and conservation.

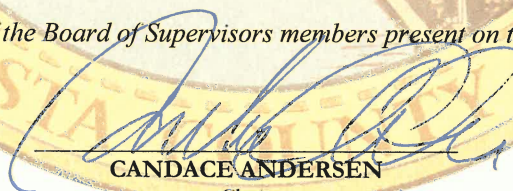
PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present on this 20th day of December, 2016.



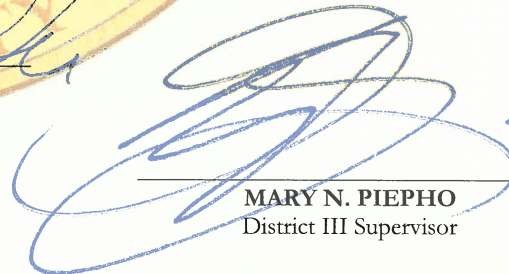
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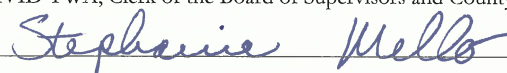
MARY N. PIEPHO
District III Supervisor

ABSENT
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: December 20, 2016

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

By , Deputy