The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of Honoring the Greater Richmond Interfaith Project (GRIP) on their 50 year anniversary of serving Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2017/12

WHEREAS, the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program (GRIP) is an interfaith, interracial coalition of 38 member congregations – Buddhists, Christians, Jews, Muslims and Sikh – working together to address critical issues of human dignity and social justice in Contra Costa County since 1966; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years GRIP has provided services and shelter to Contra Costa County's hungry and homeless and has had a significant impact on our community's special needs population by offering faith assistance and services to people of need through housing development, public services and economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, GRIP's service delivery was enhanced in 2006 upon opening a new 12,000 square feet "Souper Center" Family Housing and Supportive Services Center, a one-stop, integrated service delivery facility providing 75 beds for emergency shelter and transitional housing; and

WHEREAS, GRIP's work is supported by a network of over 400 volunteers from their member congregations and "friends of GRIP," who perform tasks ranging from preparing and serving meals to coordinating activities with shelter guests; and

WHEREAS, in fulfillment of its mission and purpose to unite peoples' thoughts and actions to work together to address issues of racial unrest, economic disparity and social injustice, GRIP has sponsored the "Harmony Walk to End Hunger and Homelessness" since 1986 providing opportunity for congregations and community to raise awareness and funds to support the needs of the homeless and hungry in our midst.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program on 50 years of service to Contra Costa County community.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 10th day of January, 2017.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

Chair,

District V Supervisor

JOHN GIOLA

District I Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF

District IV 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: January 10, 2017

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

By Stephania Mallo, Deputy