The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of honoring Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc. on the occasion of providing its 5 Millionth Meal delivered to a Homebound Elder in Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2017/18

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc., a charitable nonprofit corporation founded in 1990, by two County managers to raise community funds from individual donors and charitable organizations to provide meals delivered to frail homebound elders through the countywide Meals on Wheels Program, recently provided its 5 millionth meal subsidized by contributions and grants received from the community; and

WHEREAS, the countywide Meals on Wheels Program chronically faced waiting lists of 50 to 150 homebound elders each day that could not be reached with meals in a timely manner prior to the founding of Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc. in 1990; and

WHEREAS, the Mission for Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc. is to "support homebound elders with nutritious daily meals to maintain their health, independence and dignity in the comfort and security of their own homes"; and

WHEREAS, virtually every one of the 415,000 meals delivered to more than 2,200 frail homebound elderly Meals on Wheels participants this year through the countywide Meals on Wheels Program will be subsidized in large part by the community fundraising efforts of Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the average participant in the countywide Meals on Wheels Program is 80+ years of age, lives alone or with a co-dependent spouse, lives below the "Elder Economic Security Standard" for Contra Costa County, and has one or more chronic health conditions that prevents their shopping for, preparing or otherwise receiving regular nutritious daily meals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, the contributions and grants received by Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc. from individual donors and charitable organizations represent the largest single funding source for Meals on Wheels services in Contra Costa County in FY 2016-17; and

WHEREAS, the countywide Meals on Wheels Program is administered by the Public Health Division of County Health Services under an interdepartmental agreement with the County Office of Aging administered by the County Employment and Human Services Department, and sub-contracts with four nonprofit community based organizations that coordinate services regionally throughout the county, including: West Contra Costa County Meals on Wheels; Meals on Wheels and Senior Outreach Services; Public Health Foundation Enterprises: and J-Sei Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby congratulate Meals on Wheels of Contra Costa, Inc., on achieving the milestone of having subsidized delivery of 5 million Meals to frail homebound elders through the countywide Meals on Wheels Program since its founding in 1990.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 7th day of February, 2017.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

Chair,

District V Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA

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: February 7, 2017

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

By Stephanie Wello, Deputy

