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# *The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California*

In the matter of recognizing STAND! For Families  
Free of Violence on their 40th Anniversary

Resolution No. 2017/350

WHEREAS, the issues of domestic violence are not confined to any group of people but cross all economic, racial, sexual orientation and societal barriers and are supported by societal indifference; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control and/or abuse; and

WHEREAS, STAND! Against Domestic Violence and the Family Stress Center were independently founded in the late 1970s, and only started with a single phone line in a utility closet and a core group of volunteers; and

WHEREAS, by 1985, STAND! was well on its way to leading the domestic violence service community in the Bay Area, with over 30 staff members; and

WHEREAS, by July of 2010, STAND! Against Domestic Violence and the Family Stress Center became one unified agency; and

WHEREAS, STAND! For Families Free of Violence is a provider of comprehensive domestic violence and child abuse services in Contra Costa County for forty years now, offering prevention, intervention, and treatment programs; and

WHEREAS, they are leading the community in building safe, strong families through early detection, enhanced support services, community prevention, education, and empowerment; and

WHEREAS, STAND! For Families Free of Violence is a catalyst for breaking the multi-generational cycle of violence, promoting safe and strong relationships, and rebuilding lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County is hereby honored to recognize STAND! For Families Free of Violence, on their 40 years of empowering our community.

*PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.*

ABSENT

**FEDERAL D. GLOVER**

Chair,  
District V Supervisor



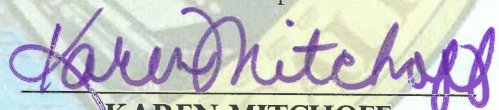
**JOHN GIOIA**  
District I Supervisor



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District II Supervisor



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District III 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: September 26, 2017

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

By Stephanie Melillo, Deputy