The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of recognizing James Phillip Wright as the 2018 William Mott Environmental Award Winner

Resolution No. 2018/84

WHEREAS, For the past five years, James Wright has self-funded and dedicated an enormous amount of expertise embodied in The Old Yellow House toward educating Orinda citizens about the historical and environmental value of sustainable energy systems and "green architecture"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright's dynamic exhibits at the Wagner Ranch Wildlife and Olive Festivals fascinated parents and children with the historical odyssey of the Old Yellow House. Following these successful outreach efforts and a presentation to the Orinda Historical Society, James worked closely with the Contra Costa Historical Society and Orinda Historical Society to conduct an evening public presentation at the Orinda Theatre in 2015; and

WHEREAS, His passion for the history of this area is quite evident. He wrote an inspiring piece for the event program that captured how redoing this house changed him and his goals. His efforts to educate the Lamorinda public about the value of preserving history and engaging in sustainable practices are inspiring youth and adults alike to become more involved with local history and conservation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wright has held numerous presentations to promote sustainable energy practices and conservation for educational purposes, as well as fundraising efforts for nonprofits to promote conservation of historical sites; and

WHEREAS, James Wright is passionate about preserving history, educating the public, and actively participating in the Lamorinda community and throughout Contra Costa County to involve the community in conservation efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honor James Phillip Wright for his commitment to the environment, Orinda and Contra Costa County.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 27th day of February, 2018.

KAREN MITCHOFF

Chair,

District IV Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA

District I Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II 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: February 27, 2018

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

By Stephanis Wello, Deputy