

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of honoring Nicole Kozicki, California Department
of Fish and Wildlife, upon the occasion of her retirement

Resolution No. 2018/460

WHEREAS, Officer Nicole Kozicki has dedicated nearly 30 years of service as a game warden for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in Contra Costa County; and
WHEREAS, Officer Kozicki attended the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo as one of the first 13 female recruits and the youngest cadet to graduate from the Fish and Game Academy on June 16, 1989; and
WHEREAS, her tireless investigations of poaching, pollution and environmental crimes have been an example to her fellow wildlife officers in California and to others throughout the country; and
WHEREAS, Officer Kozicki received the Pogue-Elms Wildlife Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award in July 2017 from the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, their highest honor; and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife selected her as Wildlife Officer of the Year in 2017; and
WHEREAS, Officer Kozicki has earned an exceptional reputation in handling complex, large-scale investigations, many of which have involved harm to threatened and endangered species, earning a reputation as an expert in the field of environmental crimes; and
WHEREAS, her tireless pursuit of the truth has resulted in hundreds of acres of mitigated lands being preserved in perpetuity and has generated millions of dollars in fines that in turn are donated to programs that enrich the natural environment; and
WHEREAS, Officer Kozicki's work with the Fish & Wildlife Committee has contributed to the award of more than a million dollars towards community projects that benefit the protection, conservation, propagation, and preservation of fish and wildlife through the Annual Contra Costa County Fish and Wildlife Propagation Grant program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize and honor Officer Nicole Kozicki for extraordinary service to the protection of the natural environment as a game warden for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife in Contra Costa County.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 14th day of August, 2018.



KAREN MITCHOFF
Chair,
District IV Supervisor

ABSENT

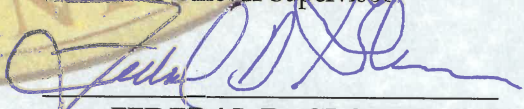
JOHN GIOIA
District I Supervisor



DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor



CANDACE ANDERSEN
District II Supervisor



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: August 14, 2018

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

By , Deputy