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

IN THE MATTER OF recognizing the 100th anniversary of the ending of World War I and start of the annual commemoration of Veterans Day

Resolution No. 2018/540

Whereas on November 11, 1918 at 11am, World War I ended with the signing of the armistice agreement; and

Whereas, World War I was supposed to be the war to end all wars; and

Whereas, November 11, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the first commemoration of Armistice Day; and Whereas, on May 13, 1938 an act was passed to make November 11<sup>th</sup> a Federal Holiday dedicated to the cause of world peace and would be known as Armistice Day; which was already celebrated in several states; and

Whereas, in 1954 an new act was passed which changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day and it has been celebrated ever since; and

Whereas, our veterans have served with honor, courage, and commitment in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Afghanistan, Iraq, and other military actions protecting our freedoms since 1918; and

Whereas, today, we are reminded of our solemn obligation; to serve our veterans as well as they have served us; and

Whereas, our veterans have defended our nation's ideals established by our founding fathers, protected the innocent, and liberated the oppressed from tyranny and terror; and

Whereas, the freedom and security enjoyed by Americans is the direct result of the sacrifices of those who have served and who are serving in our Armed Forces; and

Whereas, our veterans who fought to protect our democracy are strengthening it back at home. Once leaders in the Armed Forces, they are now pioneers of industry and pillars of their communities. Their character reflects our enduring American spirit, and in their example, we find inspiration and strength; and

Whereas, we will never forget the heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice and all those who have not yet returned home.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognize and honor 100 years since the ending of World War I and the signing of the Armistice to Agreement in an effort to move towards world peace. Now, be it further resolved, that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognize and honor the men and women of our country, who have served and who are serving, in our Armed Forces of the United States in observance of Veterans Day 2018.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 13th day of November 2018.

KAREN MITCHOFF

Chair

District IV Supervisor

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: November 13, 2018

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

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