The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of declaring June 12th, 2019 as "National Time Out Day" in Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2019/489

WHEREAS, the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN), is committed to safe surgery together; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, AORN and the Joint Commission have recognized "National Time Out Day" to bring greater awareness to the safe surgery practice of taking a "timeout" before operative and other invasive procedures to prevent wrong-site, wrong-patient, wrong-procedure surgery; and

WHEREAS, the "National Time Out Day" initiative supports the Joint Commission's Universal Protocol and builds greater awareness among surgical team members about the critical steps that keep patients safe; and

WHEREAS, the Time Out initiative's goal is to prevent errors by ensuring that all members of the surgical team pause before invasive procedures, so they can communicate as a group and confirm key information about the patient and the procedure; and

WHEREAS, wrong-patient, wrong-site, and wrong-procedure surgeries are rare, but can be life-altering for patients; and

WHEREAS, this year we celebrate National Time Out Day's 15th anniversary in hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers around the country on June 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors commends John Muir Health's perioperative and procedural teams across Walnut Creek and Concord, CA., including members of AORN, for the hard work and dedication of teams daily to ensure safe environments for procedural and surgical patients and reduce unnecessary healthcare costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaim June 12, 2019 as "National Time Out Day".

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 9th day of July, 2019.

ABSENT

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOEL

District IV Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III Supervisor

FEDERAL D. CLOVER

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: July 9, 2019

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

By Stephanis Wolf , Deputy