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

## In the matter of recognizing the Veterans in Contra Costa County

Resolution No. 2019/620

WHEREAS, on November 11, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the first commemoration of Armistice Day; and

WHEREAS, in 1938 an act was passed to make November 11th a Federal Holiday dedicated to the cause of world peace and would be known as Armistice Day; and in1954 a new act was passed which changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day and it has been celebrated ever since; and

WHEREAS, on Veterans Day, we pay tribute to the service and sacrifice of the men and women who in defense of our freedom have bravely worn the uniform of the United States; 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 have served with honor, courage, and commitment in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, Afghanistan, Iraq, and other military actions protecting our freedoms; and

WHEREAS, our veterans who fought to protect our democracy are strengthening it here 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, many of our veterans continue to serve one another through the over 20veteran services organizations throughout Contra Costa County that continue to provide invaluable services to our veterans: assistance with health claims, job training programs, community support, and countless hours of volunteer services throughout our communities; 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 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 2019.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 12th day of November, 2019.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

**KAREN MITCHOFF** 

District IV Supervisor

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

District V Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III 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 12, 2019

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

By Seplacio Wollo, Deputy