The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of honoring Larry Sly, the Executive Director of the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano on his retirement

Resolution No. 2019/661

WHEREAS, Larry has served at the Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano for 43 years and has made a lasting impact in the lives of community members in need not only in Contra Costa and Solano but throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Larry Sly graduated from UC Berkeley, joined the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano and quickly became Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, he started as a truck driver, picking up bread from grocery stores to be distributed to the Food Bank's network of 17 agencies; and

WHEREAS, Larry has guided the Food Bank's development from an organization that distributed 36,000 pounds of food in its first year to one that distributed over 25 million pounds of food in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Larry has served as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of Feeding America; and

WHEREAS, Larry was Chair of the Board for the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce and a past President of the Rotary Club of Concord; and

WHEREAS, he is currently on the Board of Directors of the California Association of Food Banks and is the Chair of the Emergency Food and Shelter board; and

WHEREAS, he has been chosen to be on the Fresh Look Advisory Committee – a group convened by the California Department of Social Services that is looking to revamp how food for low-income individuals is delivered across the state; and

WHEREAS, Larry is a recipient of the John Van Hengel award – an award given out by Feeding America for lifetime achievement in Food Banking; and

WHEREAS, he has advocated for public policies that benefit low-income people at the federal, state and local level and has overseen the development of an advocacy program at the Food Bank.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognize Larry Sly on the occasion of his retirement and does honor his hard work to ensure those in need have food on their table.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 17th day of December, 2019.

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF

District IV Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III 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:, 2019

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

By Stephanie Wello Deputy

