The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of Recognizing Care Parent Network's 30th Anniversary.

Resolution No. 2022/298

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network was founded in 1992 by parents of children with special needs and developmental disabilities and continues to be staffed by parents, for parents; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network became part of Contra Costa ARC in 1994 and is part of a statewide network of 48 Early Start Family Resource Centers; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network serves all families in Contra Costa County regardless of the child's age, established diagnosis, or financial need; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network has no intake or eligibility criteria, and all services are free to families;

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network serves Contra Costa County's diverse population in a linguistically and culturally sensitive manner and adapts their services to meet the changing needs of the community, including virtual services during the COVID-19 public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network provides evidence based, non-judgmental, peer-to-peer support to families of children with special needs either one-on-one or in group settings; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network provides parent training, workshops, and conferences to help parents better understand their child's disability and access needed services, and partners with many Contra Costa agencies on other county collaborative efforts; and

WHEREAS, Care Parent Network's core mission is to empower parents to become effective advocates for their children; many of these parents have gone on to become leaders in their schools and communities, effectively advocating for the intellectual and developmental disability community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognizes and celebrates the Care Parent Network's 30 years of service in providing essential support and empowering families of children with special needs and developmental disabilities in Contra Costa County.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 13th day of September 2022.

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: September 13, 2022

MONICA NINO, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

Deputy