The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of declaring April 2, 2023, as "Education & Sharing Day Contra Costa County."

Resolution No. 2023/89

WHEREAS, the basis for the continuity of any society is education; and in Contra Costa County the education of our youth is a priority; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve its highest goals, education must be more than just a training in facts and figures, or even in basic skills, as important as they are. It must also teach the students how to live, forming and strengthening their moral character to make a better life for themselves as individuals and for society as a whole; imparting moral and ethical values that have been the bedrock of society since the dawn of civilization, including the values known as the Seven Noahide Laws; and

WHEREAS, one of the leading global spiritual leaders and advocates for the advancement of education, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, of righteous memory, stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the bedrock of humanity and the hallmark of a healthy society, empowering every individual to develop their full potential in making the world a better place; and

WHEREAS, such an education can nurture the unity of diverse peoples through encouraging increased acts of goodness and kindness, imbued with the awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can change the world and usher in an era of global peace, when there will "be peace within your walls, serenity within your mansions" (Psalms 122); and

WHEREAS, "Education & Sharing Day" is observed each year on the Rebbe's birthday in recognition of his outstanding and lasting contributions toward the improvement of education, morality, and acts of charity around the world; a day to pause and reflect on our responsibility to ensure our youth have the foundation necessary to lead lives rich in purpose and fulfillment through service and good works; and

WHEREAS, April 2, 2023, marks 121 years since the Rebbe's birth, capping a year in which thousands of new institutions and initiatives were launched throughout the world in tribute to this celebration; and

WHEREAS, this year has an added significance as a year of "Hakhel," a biblical event of unity, education and spiritual growth emphasizing how every person is crucial to perfecting the world; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaims Tuesday, April 2, 2023, to be: EDUCATION AND SHARING DAY in Contra Costa County and call upon government officials, educators, volunteers, and citizens to reach out to those within our communities and work to create a better, brighter, and more hopeful future for all.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 18th day of April 2023.

Absent

JOHN GIOIA

Chair,

District I Supervisor

CANDACE ANDERSEN

District II Supervisor

KEN CARLSON

District IV Supervisor

DIANÉ 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: April 18, 2023

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

Allows

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