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To: Board of Supervisors

From: David Twa, County Administrator

Date: May 24, 2016

CONTRACTOR OF

Contra Costa County

Subject: Resolution No. 2016/381 Delegating Authority to Allow or Compromise Claims Against the County

### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2016/381 delegating authority to the County Administrator and his designees to authorize, compromise, or settle claims, including workers' compensation claims, up to a maximum of \$50,000.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Board of Supervisors has established and prescribed procedures that govern the presentation of claims against the County pursuant to the Government Tort Claims Act (Government Code section 935). Those procedures include delegating to the County Administrator and his designees authority up to \$20,000 to allow, compromise, or settle a claim against the County (Resolution No. 81/1523). Government Code section 935.4 was amended in 1989 to allow the Board of Supervisors to increase the monetary limit of settlement authority from \$20,000 to \$50,000. The number and dollar amount of claims made against the County and the cost of settlements have escalated since Government Code section 935.4 was amended; therefore, it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors

APPROVE	☐ OTHER
RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR	RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE
Action of Board On: 05/24/2016 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER	
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VOTE OF SUPERVISORS	
<ul> <li>AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor</li> <li>Candace Andersen, District II</li> <li>Supervisor</li> <li>Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor</li> <li>Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor</li> <li>Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor</li> </ul>	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: May 24, 2016 David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Contact: Lisa Driscoll, County Finance Director (925) 335-1023	By: Stacey M. Boyd, Deputy

cc: Robert Campbell, County Auditor-Controller

adopt the attached Resolution increasing the maximum settlement authority from \$20,000 to \$50,000.

# **CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

None. This is an administrative action to increase the monetary limit of \$20,000 established in 1981 to \$50,000.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution No. 2016/381