The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of: Declaring the Week of July 20-26, 2025, as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week, in Contra Costa County.

Resolution No. 2025-246

WHEREAS, Probation professionals play a unique and essential role in California's criminal and juvenile justice systems, keeping communities safe by providing justice-involved individuals with accountability, support, services, and tools necessary to safely and successfully reenter society: and

WHEREAS, Through transformative, evidence-based, and court-ordered rehabilitative programming, probation holds individuals accountable while also helping them permanently transition out of the justice system and onto a healthier, more productive life path; and

WHEREAS, Probation departments serve as key connectors within the justice system and local communities, maximizing the resources available through courts, local governments, law enforcement, social services, behavioral health providers, schools, crime survivor organizations, and nonprofit agencies; and Probation professionals balance the need for accountability with the opportunity for individuals to engage in treatment and rehabilitation, providing the structure and support necessary to change lives and reduce future crime; and

WHEREAS, California's probation officers are highly trained and dedicated professionals, with over 72 percent identifying as non-white and 51 percent as women, and the majority holding college degrees, reflecting the diversity and professionalism of the field: and Probation officers receive extensive training-350 hours within their first two years of service, and at least 40 hours annually thereafter-in areas including topics like trauma-informed care, cognitive behavioral therapy, strength-based approaches, and emotional intelligence; and

WHEREAS, This comprehensive training equips probation professionals to manage the trauma and complex needs of offenders while safely connecting them to the support and supervision necessary for successful reentry: and Probation provides a cost-effective, evidence-based public safety strategy, effectively supervising individuals while also connecting them to critical services such as workforce development, substance use treatment, mental health care, and education; and

WHEREAS, Probation delivers a multifaceted public safety model that combines supervision, accountability, and access to transformative rehabilitative services, offering a safe and effective alternative to incarceration; and Probation departments have a profound impact on community safety and well-being by addressing the root causes of crime through individualized supervision and supports that reduce recidivism; and

WHEREAS, Probation fosters a safer, healthier California by ensuring that individuals serving their sentences within our communities or those reentering communities after incarceration are equipped with the tools, services, support and supervision they need to be safe and successful; and

WHEREAS, We hereby recognize and commend the critical role of California's probation professionals and celebrates them this July in honor of their ongoing dedication to justice, rehabilitation, and community safety; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaims that July 20-26, 2025, be recognized as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision week at the recommendation of County Probation Officer, Esa Ehmen-Krause to highlight Probation's immense contributions to our community.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 22nd day of July 2025.

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Chair.

District II Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA

District I Supervisor

KEN CARLSON

District IV Supervisor

DIANE BURGIS

District III/Supervisor

SHANELLE SCALES-PRESTON

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: July 22, 2025

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

By

Deputy