

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Recognizing Veterans Day
and honoring the veterans of Contra Costa
County.**

Resolution No. 2024-372

WHEREAS, on November 11, 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the first commemoration of Armistice Day; and

WHEREAS, in 1938, an act was passed to make November 11th a Federal Holiday dedicated to the cause of world peace and would be known as Armistice Day; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, a new act was passed which changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day and it has been celebrated ever since; and

WHEREAS, on Veterans Day, we pay tribute to the service and sacrifice of the men and women who in defense of our freedom have bravely worn the uniform of the United States; and

WHEREAS, our veterans have defended our nation's ideals established by our founding fathers, protected the innocent, and liberated the oppressed from tyranny and terror; and

WHEREAS, the freedom and security enjoyed by Americans is the direct result of the sacrifices of those who have served and who are serving in our Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, our veterans have served with honor, courage, and commitment in World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, Afghanistan, Iraq, and other military actions protecting our freedoms; and

WHEREAS, 2023 marks 50 years since the last combat troops left Vietnam, and this year we recognize these veterans and give them the welcome home they never received and honor their service; and

WHEREAS, all our veterans served with honor and devotion and made the world safer, their sacrifices and courage will not be forgotten by our community; and

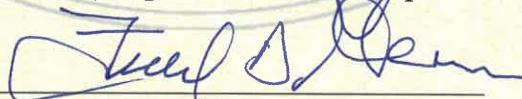
WHEREAS, our veterans who were once leaders in the Armed Forces, are now pioneers of industry and pillars of their communities. Their character reflects our enduring American spirit, and in their example, we find inspiration and strength; and

WHEREAS, many of our veterans continue to serve one another through the over 20 veteran services organizations throughout Contra Costa County that continue to provide invaluable services to our veterans: assistance with health claims, job training programs, community support, mental health services, and countless hours of volunteer services throughout our communities; and

WHEREAS, we will never forget the heroes who have made the ultimate sacrifice and all those who have not yet returned home; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognizes recognize and honors the men and women of our country, who have served, and who are serving, in our Armed Forces of the United States, in observance of Veterans Day 2024.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 5th day of November 2024.



FEDERAL D. GLOVER
Chair,
District V Supervisor



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District I Supervisor



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District II Supervisor