

# The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Recognizing Chief Dave Winnacker upon his retirement from the Moraga-Orinda Fire District.**

Resolution No. 2024-398

**WHEREAS**, Chief Dave Winnacker has been in the fire service for nineteen years and has been Chief of the Moraga-Orinda Fire District since 2017, prior to MOFD, he worked in Fresno and for Alameda County Fire Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Dave Winnacker was the sixth fire chief in the history of the Moraga-Orinda Fire District; Chief Winnacker was chosen unanimously on November 20, 2017 by the Board Members; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Winnacker developed a comprehensive strategic wildfire risk reduction plan for Moraga-Orinda using redundant early warning systems and real-time fire spread modeling informed by terrain and fuel load analysis to quantify risk, this risk is then reduced using prescribed fire in conjunction with traditional fuels mitigation techniques to address the threat with an emphasis on low-cost, high-impact projects; and

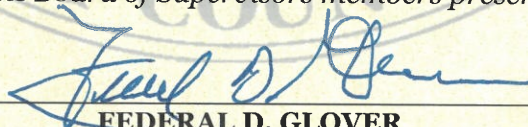
**WHEREAS**, before joining the fire service, Dave served in the Marine Corps as an active-duty infantry officer and has remained in the reserves, serving as the commanding officer of the Fourth Force Reconnaissance Company from 2014-16; and the deputy commander of the Twenty-third Marine Regiment from 2019 to the present. He is currently a Colonel in the Marine Reserves; and

**WHEREAS**, when Chief Winnacker joined the Fire District, he wanted to make a difference, and one of the great opportunities of the county fire department is that it's so wide-ranging. Therefore, if there is a major event, there's a good chance the Fire District will be there. Chief Winnacker finds job satisfaction in being able to do one's best to help solve problems and make them better; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Winnacker leaves the Fire District proud of the steps that have been taken to bring MOFD into a position of regional and statewide leadership, in a number of areas; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby honors and thanks Chief Dave Winnacker, upon his retirement, and wishes him the best in his pursuit of new interests.

*PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2024.*



FEDERAL D. GLOVER

Chair,  
District V Supervisor



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District I Supervisor



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District II Supervisor