

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

**In the matter of: Recognizing Lara DeLaney
upon her retirement as Senior Deputy in the
Contra Costa County Administrator's Office.**

Resolution No. 2024-418

WHEREAS, Lara's career has been marked by a diverse and dynamic path and her unique name, inspired by "Doctor Zhivago," hints at the vibrant and engaging presence she brings to her professional endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Lara spent her childhood in a variety of locations ranging from Southern California to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to Ashland, Oregon, thereby setting the stage for her adaptability and resilience; and

WHEREAS, Lara graduated with Honors in Literature from U.C. Santa Cruz and obtained a Master's degree in Regulatory and Aggregate Policy at the Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, Lara began her professional career with the San Joaquin Council of Governments in Stockton, California, as a Senior Regional Planner focused on transportation and land use policy; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Lara joined Contra Costa County as a Senior Management Analyst in the County Administrator's Office, where she has served for the past 26 years; and

WHEREAS, in her role in the County Administrator's Office, Lara provided budgetary oversight and was the department liaison for numerous departments, including the Assessor, Auditor-Controller, Treasurer-Tax Collector, Building Inspection, Community Development, General Services, and Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Lara has served as the County's Legislative Coordinator for the past two decades, staffing the Board of Supervisors' Legislation Committee, performing legislative analysis and advocacy, and interacting with state and federal lobbyists and representatives on a wide range of policy subjects; and

WHEREAS, Lara established a Countywide legislative program centralizing the County's priorities into a formal, principles-based platform, enabling effective advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Lara also established and led the County's Office of Reentry & Justice, aiming to reduce recidivism and help formerly incarcerated citizens return to productive lives and, in this role, she led the creation of the County's first equity plan; and

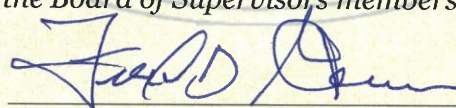
WHEREAS, Lara's commitment to public service includes twenty years on the Martinez City Council and involvement with the Martinez Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Boys and Girls Club, and as a founder of the Joe DiMaggio Hometown Hero Project; and

WHEREAS, Lara's dedication to public service has enhanced public safety, infrastructure, economic vitality, environmental sustainability, equity, access to public services, cultural history, and fiscal solvency for Contra Costa County; and

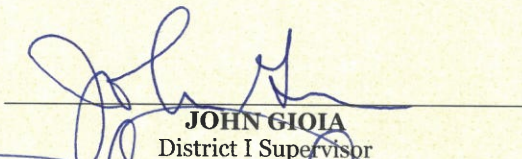
WHEREAS, Lara-Loo's professionalism, fearlessness, kindness, and unwavering friendship to her colleagues will leave a sense of loss and devastation behind her as she saunters off to a retirement filled with travel, tennis, yoga, live music, and adventure with her beloved husband Eric and dog Maynard; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognizes

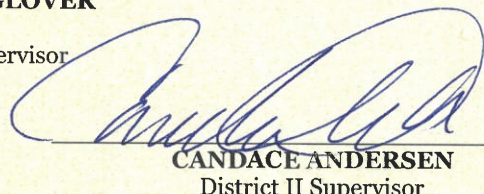
PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 17th day of December 2024.



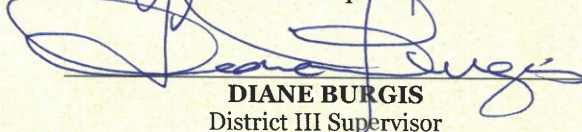
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Chair,
District V Supervisor



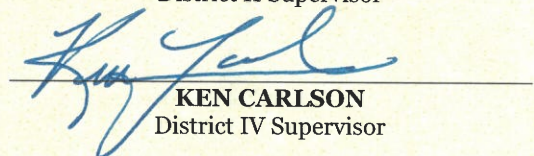
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District I Supervisor



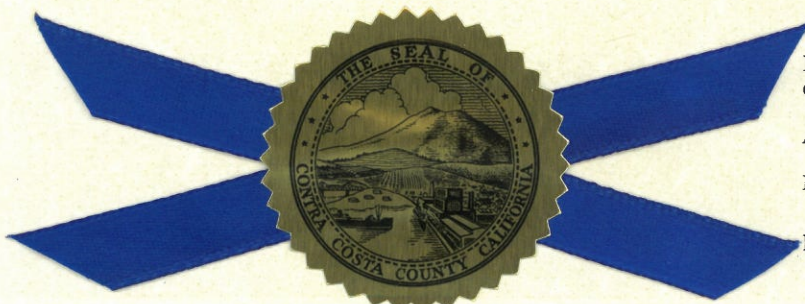
CANDACE ANDERSEN
District II Supervisor



DIANE BURGIS
District III Supervisor



KEN CARLSON
District IV 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: December 17, 2024

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

By , Deputy