



A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

SUPERVISOR MARK LUCE

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, Mark and his wife Kathy moved to Napa in 1980 when Mark began working at Chevron Research Company as a senior environmental engineer, providing advice to Chevron operating companies on how to prevent pollution, manage hazardous waste, and remediate contaminated sites; and

WHEREAS, Mark became active in a number of local issues before being elected Chairman of the American Canyon Concerned Citizens in 1983. In 1985, Mark was appointed to the Napa County Planning Commission, serving until 1989. In 1990, Mark won a seat on the Napa City Council, serving one four-year term; and

WHEREAS, Mark Luce won election to the Board of Supervisors in 1996 and has served as a Napa County Supervisor for 20 years, championing the wine industry, thoughtful growth, affordable housing, open space, and countless other issues that have greatly benefited Napa County and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, as a Supervisor, Mark served as one of the lead advocates for the creation of the Napa County Open Space District in 2006. He was very active in the campaign that would create the district and result in conserving nearly 5,000 acres of Napa County land as open space, open a new regional park, Moore Creek, and save two state parks from closure; and

WHEREAS, Mark created and has shepherded the County’s proximity housing homebuyer’s assistance program, which provides down payment assistance of up to ten percent in the form of a homebuyer’s assistance loan for qualified buyers toward an eligible property. This program, which is noted for reducing greenhouse gases and won a CSAC Challenge Award in 2012, has helped over 100 working Napa families afford a home; and

WHEREAS, Mark was Chair of the Board of Supervisors when the 2014 South Napa Earthquake occurred and became the “face of Napa County” by appearing on CNN and winning the praise of news media, including Wolf Blitzer’s production staff; and

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Association of Bay Area Counties, Mark was instrumental in establishing more realistic housing allocations for the County and demonstrated leadership during a difficult transition period for the organization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the Napa County Board of Supervisors, County staff and the many friends and associates with whom Mark Luce has worked over the years, thank him for his outstanding, long-term service and commitment to the County of Napa and its citizens, and wish him happiness and prosperity in his future endeavors.