

Resolution No. 04-199

Dated: December 14, 2004

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY of NAPA, STATE of CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Mike Rippey is a second generation Napan who graduated from Napa High School; went on to Humboldt State University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Management; and

WHEREAS, Mike is a graduate of the Harvard University Executives in State and Local Government Program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government; and

WHEREAS, Mike began his Supervisorial career with Napa County in January, 1993 and was subsequently reelected to an additional two terms of office; and

WHEREAS, during his long career on the Board, Mike has served in various capacities on many local committees and commissions, including the Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, Napa County Flood Protection and Watershed Improvement Authority, Local Agency Formation Commission, Treasury Oversight Committee, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Mike has served on numerous national and state committees including the California State Association of Counties Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee, the County Medical Services Program Governing Board, National Association of Counties National Watershed Planning and Restoration Task Force, Association of Bay Area Governments, and the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission; and

WHEREAS, during Mike's tenure as a Board Member he chaired the intensively cooperative and extremely successful two-year coalition building and planning effort that culminated in the creation of the nationally recognized and award winning countywide flood management, economic revitalization, river restoration, and watershed protection plan; and

WHEREAS, the Flood Protection and River Restoration Plan received the 1999 Governor's Outstanding Environmental and Economic Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Mike served on the Local Agency Formation Commission for 11 years overseeing the formation and change of local government service boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Mike served on the Napa County Watershed Management and Restoration Task Force that received unanimous Board support of the task force recommendations for comprehensive watershed management; and

WHEREAS, Mike served as the Board's lead in the collaborative development of one of the first local comprehensive groundwater protection ordinances in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, Mike was appointed to the Bay Delta (Cal Fed) Oversight Committee by Governor Gray Davis and Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton which plays a significant role in water conservation, reuse and recycling efforts throughout the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Napa County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its appreciation for the many years of dedicated and conscientious public service that Mike Rippey has provided the citizens of Napa County, the Napa County Board of Supervisors, County staff and the many friends and associates with whom Mike has worked over the years wish him happiness and prosperity in his future endeavors.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Miller, Clerk of the Board