Resolution No. 2024-192

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING DANA F. VAUGHN, DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL, UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL, WITH NEARLY 30 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE, INCLUDING 25 YEARS WITH SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, after graduating from the University of San Francisco Law School, Dana F. Vaughn began her legal career as a Deputy District Attorney for Stanislaus County in June of 1995 where she worked in the Misdemeanor Unit, the Preliminary Hearing unit, the Child Abduction Unit, and the Felony Domestic Violence Unit; and

WHEREAS, Dana began working for Solano County on December 31, 1999 as a Deputy District Attorney where her assignments included the Narcotics Unit, Asset Forfeiture, Worker's Compensation Fraud, Auto Insurance Fraud Unit, Juvenile and General Felony Unit, and ending in the Family Violence Unit; and

WHEREAS, after spending 20 years in criminal courts, Dana made the leap to the civil practice of law and joined the Solano County Office of County Counsel on August 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, since joining the Office, Dana has represented the Public Guardian and quickly took on the Public Administrator and the Older and Disabled Adults Unit assignments; and

WHEREAS, in this capacity, Dana prepared hundreds of petitions for LPS and Probate conservatorships, the legal mechanisms that authorize the oversight of a person's finances or the placement and treatment of individuals who cannot make such decisions on their own behalf; and

WHEREAS, building upon her relationship with the courts, Dana became the point of contact between the local courts and the mental health forensic team and, in this role, was instrumental in the implementation of Laura's Law and the development of the Diversion and Assisted Outpatient Treatment Programs; and

WHEREAS, Dana has taken the lead role in developing the policies and procedures with Behavioral Health and the local court to assist with the launching of CARE Court on December 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in July of 2020, Ms. Vaughn began serving as the General Assistance Hearing Officer conducting administrative hearings when county action would result in a denial, discontinuance, withholding, or reduction of a General Assistance grant; and

WHEREAS, finally, Ms. Vaughn was assigned to represent her old department, the District Attorney's office, advising civil matters affecting the office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Vaughn is scheduled to retire from Solano County on December 31, 2024 and when she leaves the office, her dedication to her clients and commitment to detail will be sorely missed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Solano County Board of Supervisors recognizes Ms. Dana F. Vaughn for nearly 30 years of dedicated public service, including 25 years with Solano County and wishes her well in her retirement and future endeavors.

Dated this 3rd day of December, 2024

MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BILL EMLEN, Clerk

Solano County Board of Supervisors

Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk