

# *Resolution No. 2020 - \_\_\_\_\_*

## **RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE FROM CONTRA COSTA COUNTY TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT AGAINST FOOD INSECURITY IN SOLANO AND CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES BY PARTICIPATING IN THE ANNUAL COUNTIES CARE HOLIDAY FOOD FIGHT**

**WHEREAS**, it all began in 2004 when Contra Costa County challenged Solano County to participate in a friendly “Food Fight” challenge to raise funds to support food collection and distribution efforts in Contra Costa and Solano Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, hunger exists in every corner of our communities and affects people of all ages, ethnicities, education levels and employment status, with one in eight people relying on the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano for food assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Food Bank is there for those in need of a helping hand, working heroically on the front line of the daily effort to address food insecurity, providing monthly to 125,000 residents in Contra Costa County and 63,000 residents in Solano County; and

**WHEREAS**, Contra Costa County and Solano County employees have accepted the challenge to continue to fight against food insecurity by participating in the annual “Food Fight” challenge and annual holiday fund drive for the past sixteen years to support residents in the counties of Solano and Contra Costa in need of Food Bank services; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019, the combined sixteen-year effort of both Contra Costa County and Solano County employees exceeded a cumulative donation total of over \$1.58 million, and with the friends of the food fight included, over \$2.01 million has been donated to the Food Bank; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, due to the ongoing pandemic health emergency, Solano County Food Fight department organizers will implement safety protocols, including wearing a face covering, cleaning commonly touched surfaces and designating specific spaces to allow for social distancing best practices – working to help slow the transmission of COVID-19 disease – all while protecting the health and safety of everyone participating in the challenge; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight will take place between November 16 and December 31, 2020; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby accepts Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors’ challenge to participate in the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight and commends Contra Costa County, its Board of Supervisors and their employees for its past “Food Fight” successes, including when it took back the coveted “Big Apple” trophy in 2019; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby officially continues the annual competition with Contra Costa County and kicks off the 2020 Counties Care Holiday Food Fight friendly challenge to continue the fight against food insecurity.

Dated this 17th day of November 2020

\_\_\_\_\_  
ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk