

PROCLAMATION COMMENDING GAYLE B. WILKEMA

Whereas, Gayle B. Wilkema's vision and leadership were instrumental in the formation of the Central Contra Costa Transit Authority (CCCTA) in 1980; and

Whereas, Gayle has served on the CCCTA Board of Directors since its inception, a total of thirty-two years, and during that time she has represented the City of Lafayette and Contra Costa County; and

Whereas, during her tenure Gayle has been a driving force as Chair of the Board, and member and Chair of each sub-committee (the Administration & Finance Committee, Executive Committee, Marketing, Planning & Legislative Committee, and Operations & Scheduling Committee); and

Whereas, Gayle has been a tireless and effective champion of public transit in Lafayette for over 30 years ensuring that the City of Lafayette received vital transit services; and

Whereas, Gayle has been the ultimate leader in Contra Costa County in fully integrating public transit into the county emergency response system; and

Whereas, Gayle has been a visionary in increasing an improving coordination of services between the various county social and health services, and public transit; and

Whereas, Gayle been a valiant advocate for federal, state and local public transit funding and she has worked diligently to develop plans and policies that improve the quality of transit service for Contra Costa residents; and

Whereas, Gayle pioneered the use of developer mitigation fees to pay for transit service in the San Ramon Valley/Danville area; and

Whereas, Gayle's superb taste and aesthetic sense is clearly evident in CCCTA's elegant and timeless color scheme, as well as its beautiful bus shelters that adorn the routes throughout the CCCTA service area.

Now, Therefore, CCCTA commends Gayle B. Wilkema for her insight, dedication and leadership and expresses its deep appreciation for her service.

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Amy R. Worth
Chair, CCCTA Board of Directors