

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION HONORING LINDA AND DAVID)
GONZALES AS RECIPIENTS OF THE 2023) RESOLUTION NO. 23-024
MARGARET DALTON GOLD ACORN AWARD)

WHEREAS, “Linda and David Gonzales are the heart and soul of the Kennedy Mine. They have brought new energy, ideas, resources and volunteers to the Mine projects and are a true gift - we are so fortunate to have them,” says Doug Ketrone, founding Board member of the Kennedy Mine Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Linda and David moved to Amador County from Ferndale in 1982. Linda taught fourth grade at West Point Elementary School and David, Life Sciences classes at what was to become Argonaut High School, where they each continued teaching until retirement. In 2008, Linda volunteered her teaching skills and interest in California history, by leading school tours at the Kennedy Gold Mine. David exercised his love of the outdoors by joining volunteers working on developing the Kennedy Mine hiking trail and maintaining the grounds; and

WHEREAS, Linda became a board member, then Board president, and now serves as the property manager, organizing the on-going school tours and weekend visitor experience along with the historic property’s restoration projects and special events. David supports the volunteer crews (the Kennedy Mine boasts perhaps 75 active volunteers) with their work maintaining the buildings, grounds, enhancing exhibits, setting up for weddings, concerts and community gatherings; and

WHEREAS, They’re most proud of restoration of the buildings, Amador County Day (free admission for county residents on opening day) and rebuilding the headframe decking.” Linda and David were key to remodeling the Change House after a fire destroyed most of the interior, boosting weekend visitor attendance, holding the first Music at the Mine concert, and many other projects and improvements; and

WHEREAS, “Working at the Mine has been a great way to meet a really diverse and interesting group of people,” says Linda. “It’s a privilege to help Mine visitors understand our local history and share how special the Gold Country is”; and

WHEREAS, Linda and David love to travel and plan at least one major overseas adventure each year. They have three children and seven grandchildren who share their love of travel and tag along whenever they can.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador, State of California, does hereby recognize Linda and David Gonzales as Recipients of the 2023 Margaret Dalton Gold Acorn Award.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 28th day of February 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Jeff Brown, Brian Oneto, Patrick Crew, Frank Axe, Richard Forster
NOES: None
ABSENT: None



Jeff Brown, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the
Board of Supervisors, Amador County, Deputy
California 
