

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION OF  
DAVE RICHARDS FOR 25 YEARS OF  
SERVICE TO AMADOR COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 17-033

WHEREAS, Dave Richards was born on September 6, 1936 in Sutter Creek, the son of Herbert Tilden Richards and Marca Fontenrose Richards, who were also born in Sutter Creek in 1903 and 1904; and

WHEREAS, Dave attended the old Sutter Creek Elementary School, his freshman year of high school at Jackson High School and the following three years at Amador High School where he graduated; and

WHEREAS, after serving in the California National Guard from 1954 to 1959, and graduating from San Jose State with a BS in Aeronautics, Dave entered the US Navy Pre-Flight Training, finishing with 8 carrier landings on the USS Antietam, and then entered Advanced Flight Training flying the S2 "Tracker", completing training in January 1961; and

WHEREAS, during the next 10 years Dave served three 10-month deployments to Southeast Asia on the USS Ticonderoga, the USS Kitty Hawk and the USS Constellation; and

WHEREAS, while stationed at the Pacific Missile Test Center at Pt. Magu, Ventura County, he flew 10 aircrafts and was the only person to ever launch an AIM 19 "Sidewinder Missile" off an E2A, and in 1975, Dave launched a Tomahawk Cruise Missile from an A6; and

WHEREAS, in 1970, Dave became an Instructor/Training Officer at NAS Kingsville, Texas where he met and married Susan in 1971, then his next duty for 2 ½ years was "Officer-In-Charge" at Subic Bay in the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, Dave retired from the Navy on October 1, 1979 with 400 career carrier landings and headed home to Amador County where he built a home on Ridge Road in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Dave became the Manager of the Amador County Airport, Westover Field, in 1984 and retired – at least from paying "gigs" as he puts it – in 1998; and

WHEREAS, after Susan passed away, Dave travelled, was the President of the Bonanza Society, and was introduced to Mary Brown whom he subsequently married on July 24, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Dave served as an Alternate on the Amador County Transportation Commission from 1992-2007 and was appointed as the Public Member in March, 2007 with Dave's last meeting on the Commission being March 2, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador, State of California, does hereby express its gratitude to Dave Richards for 25 years of dedicated volunteer service to the citizens of our County.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors at a regular meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:	Richard M. Forster, Lynn A. Morgan, Patrick Crew, Frank U. Axe, and Brian Oneto
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None

  
Richard M. Forster, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the  
Board of Supervisors, Amador County,  
California

  
Deputy