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NEWS RELEASE: Board of Supervisors Declare November 11-17, 2018 United Against Hate Week

(Martinez, CA) – The Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution on November 6th, 2018 declaring the week of November 11 through 17, 2018 as **United Against Hate Week** in the County. Contra Costa joins a Bay Area wide effort to build safety, inclusion and equity for all.

“Contra Costa stands against hate,” said Board Chair, Supervisor Karen Mitchoff. She lamented the loss of lives when tragic incidents are brought about by hate. “What Contra Costa stands for is compassion and embracing our differences.”

Co-sponsored by Supervisors John Gioia and Federal Glover, the Board resolution for United Against Hate Week is stop the hate and implicit biases that harm our communities and reaffirm the County’s deep commitment to inclusivity and equity.

The Board of Supervisors has previously declared Contra Costa County a Welcoming County, recognizing that a community is strongest when everyone feels welcomed.

Supervisor Gioia said, “Our resolution is an important step in bridging divisions and healing communities. We must say “no” to hate and “yes” to unity and love. Upcoming events in Contra Costa and the Bay Area are ways for the community to fight back against hate.”

“When we unite against hatred, we know the significance of coming together as individuals and communities with respect and understanding,” expressed Supervisor Glover. “We invite you to join us at these organized events.”

The One Human Family Interfaith Candlelight Vigil will take place on **November 11th, 2018** at 5 pm at 450 Civic Center Plaza in Richmond, CA. There will be a FREE film screening of “Embracing the Dream: Celebrating Martin Luther King’s Legacy in America Today” on **November 13th, 2018** at 7 pm at the California Theatre, 351 Railroad Avenue, Pittsburg, CA, hosted by Supervisor Federal Glover. A screening of the film, “The Upstanding Immigrant” will take place on **November 16th, 2018** at 7 pm at Bridge Storage and ArtSpace at 23 Main Avenue, Richmond, CA.

For more information, visit the County’s website at www.contracosta.ca.gov or <https://unitedagainsthateweek.org/find-events2/>.

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