

**ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 20-036**

**A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LEGACY AND LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENTS OF FORMER
ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERVISOR AND CITY OF HAYWARD COUNCILPERSON GAIL STEELE**

WHEREAS, Gail Steele was a prominent public servant of the East Bay region who advocated for children and the most vulnerable residents in the community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Steele served as a City of Hayward Councilmember for seven years until she left office in 1981, gaining a reputation for her advocacy for children; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Steele served on the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, representing Hayward, Newark, Union City, parts of Fremont and unincorporated Sunol for 18 years from 1992 to 2010; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Steele did earn distinction for her advocacy for improved mental health services, juvenile justice reform, and more access to health care for Alameda County residents, especially the poor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Steele's enduring accolades include the annual Hayward Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner started in 1977, and the opening of the Gail Steele Wellness and Recovery Center, a part of the Alameda County Health Care Services and Behavioral Health Care Services agencies; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Steele's advocacy for children whose lives were cut short by violence led to the commissioning of numerous memorials, including a memorial grove of trees in Castro Valley and statues in front of Hayward City Hall and Oakland's Lake Merritt.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. Declares our respect and admiration to Gail Steele for her numerous contributions to the most vulnerable residents of the greater East Bay community and her outstanding work that exemplifies public service.

Section 2. Expresses our deepest and most sincere appreciation to the family of Gail Steele for their sharing and support of Gail's work in public service.

Section 3. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by four affirmative votes of the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of July 2020.

Joe Wallace, President

Attest:

Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

I, Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary for the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 22nd day of July 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Linda A. Nemeroff, District Secretary

Approved as to Form and Content:

Jill A. Sprague, General Counsel