TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors  
FROM: David Boesch, County Executive Officer  
By: James Importante, Senior Management Analyst  
DATE: May 3, 2016  
SUBJECT: Commendation – Michael Johnson, Community Development Resource Agency Director

ACTION REQUESTED  
Approve and present a Commendation for Community Development Resource Agency Director Michael Johnson for over 10 years of service with the County of Placer.

BACKGROUND  
Michael Johnson was appointed as Planning Director on October 5, 2005, and was appointed Community Development Resource Agency Director on January 3, 2009.

Prior to Michael’s career at Placer County, he held planning positions in Folsom from 1997 to 2005 and also served the cities of Fremont and Merced. He also worked as a land-use planner, manager and environmental planner for private firms, and was a planner for the San Luis Obispo County Land Conservancy.

At Placer County, Michael has helped shepherd many projects and initiatives. Among those completed include the adoption of the Granite Bay, Sheridan and Foresthill Community Plans, the Bickford Ranch, Placer Vineyards, Regional University, and Riolo Vineyards Specific Plans, and the Martis Camp and Northstar Village projects. Those still underway include the Sunset Area Plan update, Placer Ranch Specific Plan, Placer County Conservation Plan, Village at Squaw Valley Specific Plan, Martis Valley West Specific Plan and the Tahoe Area Plan update.

FISCAL IMPACT  
None.

Attachment 1: Commendation
IN THE MATTER OF A COMMENDATION RECOGNIZING MICHAEL JOHNSON FOR ELEVEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO PLACER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Michael Johnson began employment with Placer County in October 2005 as the Planning Director and was named Community Development Resource Agency Director in January 2009; and

WHEREAS, prior to Michael's career at Placer County, he held planning positions in Folsom from 1997 to 2005 and also served the cities of Fremont and Merced. He also worked as a land-use planner, manager and environmental planner for private firms, and was a planner for the San Luis Obispo County Land Conservancy; and

WHEREAS, Michael's expertise and experience proved to serve him well at Placer County. He worked tirelessly to balance growth and conservation in a dynamic, rapidly-growing and geographically-diverse environment; and

WHEREAS, Michael has helped shepherd many projects and initiatives during his time at Placer County. Among those completed include the adoption of the Granite Bay, Sheridan and Foresthill Community Plans, Bickford Ranch, Placer Vineyards, Regional University, and Riolo Vineyards Specific Plans, and the Martis Camp and Northstar Village projects. Those still underway include the Sunset Area Plan update, Placer Ranch Specific Plan, Placer County Conservation Plan, Village at Squaw Valley Specific Plan, Martis Valley West Specific Plan and the Tahoe Area Plan update; and

WHEREAS, these projects not only represent thousands of hours of hard work, thoughtful consideration and investment by many, they also represent a deep care for our communities and a place for current and future residents to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Michael has positioned the county well by having built a tremendously capable, caring team of professionals who will carry on behind him; and

WHEREAS, Michael was always creative in his approach to problem solving and balancing competing demands. But his creativity didn’t stop there. We saw a glimpse into his love of the arts when behind the camera. It’s through his love of photography and the landscapes he captures that we are reminded of his great contributions; and

WHEREAS, Michael’s professional accomplishments are many, but it is his family that is foremost. Among the many hats he wears, he is a husband, a dad and a grandfather.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN, that the above COMMENDATION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer on behalf of the citizens of Placer County at a regular meeting held, May 3, 2016, who take great pride in recognizing Michael Johnson for eleven years of dedicated service to our county, its employees and constituents.

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