

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA #: *A-4a

AGENDA DATE: January 24, 2017

SUBJECT:

Approval of Commendation for Mar Addai Parish of the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East in Turlock Upon its 70th Anniversary

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2017-22

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended


2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:

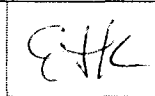

ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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AGENDA ITEM

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Urgent Routine



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CEO CONCURRENCE: _____

4/5 Vote Required: Yes No

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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Commend Mar Addai Parish of the Holy Apostolic Catholic Assyrian Church of the East in Turlock Upon its 70th Anniversary.

CONTACT PERSON:

Elizabeth King, Clerk of the Board

Phone number: 209-525-4494

**COMMENDING THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAR ADDAI CHURCH IN
TURLOCK, CA**

WHEREAS, "Mar Addai" Parish in Turlock is part of the HOLY APOSTOLIC CATHOLIC ASSYRIAN CHURCH OF THE EAST, DIOCESE OF CALIFORNIA. By using the term "Apostolic", this denotes that the Church was founded by the Apostles of Christ, and the Church believes in the apostolic succession of the laying of the hands which has been taking place for the past 2000 years; and,

WHEREAS, the term "Assyrian" indicates the land which the church was founded in which, is the ancient land of Assyria known as Bet-Nahrain or Mesopotamia, the land between the two rivers of the Tigris and the Euphrates; and,

WHEREAS, the term "Assyrian" illustrates that the Assyrian people and nation were the first people to accept the Christian faith that was preached and passed down by the apostles of Christ, at the preaching of the apostle Mar Addai to King Abgar V Ukama of Edessa, in the year 36 A.D.; and,

WHEREAS, the "Mar Addai" parish is named after St. Thaddeus or "Mar Addai" in Aramaic, one of the apostles of Jesus Christ. St Thaddeus was the first to spread Christianity in Mesopotamia, Syria and Persia. As such, Assyrians were the first to receive his message and convert to Christianity in the first half of the first Christian century; and,

WHEREAS, the Mar Addai parish was founded in 1941, and the foundation of Mar Addai parish on 830 East Canal Drive in Turlock was laid on March 8, 1947 and the church was completed by August 1948; and,

WHEREAS, the first priest to serve at Mar Addai Parish was Reverend Vassil Malik from 1948-1951 and since Father Vassil there have been 6 other priests including the current priest the Reverend Jameel Warda who has been priest of the parish since 1996. Under the pastorship of the late Very Reverend Chor-bishop Badal Shimun Piro from 1970-1996, Mar Addai Parish experienced a renewed growth in membership and development of faith. The membership has increased from the initial 25 families to over 850 families and still growing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby unanimously commends the 70th Anniversary of the Mar Addai Church in Turlock.

Upon motion by Supervisor, seconded by Supervisor, the foregoing commendation was unanimously adopted this 24th day of January, 2017.