

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

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA #: \*A-4

AGENDA DATE: April 4, 2017

**SUBJECT:**

Approval of a Commendation for Frank Muratore Upon being Named the 2017 Man of the Year by the Central Valley Sons of Italy

**BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:**

No. 2017-146

On motion of Supervisor Withrow, Seconded by Supervisor Olsen  
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  
ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

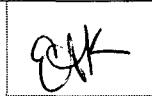
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CEO CONCURRENCE: \_\_\_\_\_

4/5 Vote Required: Yes  No

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Commend Frank Muratore Upon being named the 2017 Man of the Year by the Central Valley Sons of Italy.

**CONTACT PERSON:**

Elizabeth King, Clerk of the Board

Phone number: 209-525-4494

## **COMMENDING FRANK MURATORE, SONS OF ITALY, MAN OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Sons of Italy Foundation will honor Frank Muratore, as Man of the Year, at their 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Tie Benefit event on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at the Del Rio Country Club; and,

WHEREAS, Frank Muratore, the second of six children, was born in Racine, Wisconsin to Italian immigrant parents; and,

WHEREAS, his high school years were interrupted by WWII and Frank went off to fight for his country. Assigned to training in Sheep's Head Bay, New York, Frank became a Merchant Marine engineer; and,

WHEREAS, at the end of the war, Frank travelled to San Francisco where he sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge many times and found the weather much more pleasing than that of Wisconsin. He married and started a family; and,

WHEREAS, he discovered the small town of Modesto in the Central Valley and decided to move his family there to raise his two sons; and,

WHEREAS, he started and ran two successful businesses and was president of the Merchants Association & a board member for seven years; and,

WHEREAS, he soon became interested in City politics and was appointed to the City Zoning board for 1 year by Mayor Johansen, and was appointed to the planning commission for 11 years, elected to City Council 4 times, and served 17 years. He also served 2 years as Vice Mayor, and was involved in City, County, State, and Federal political activities; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Muratore was appointed by the mayor, as a member of the Special Projects Committee, he took a leadership role in the Community Center as part of the re-development plan for downtown Modesto. The Community Center and Hotel was built after much agonizing and conflict, but was finally finished after 50 years of attempts by many people; and,

WHEREAS, his leadership & hard work saw many accomplishments, beginning with the development of the Municipal Transit System, which included the transit center at the former Southern Pacific Railroad depot. The Red Lion Hotel was completed in April 1990; the Stanislaus Resource Recovery Facility, generally known as the "Waste to Energy" plant was built after a 2 year study, research and many meetings. Our garbage landfill was fast running out of space; he was appointed to a four member executive committee of city and county elected officials, the state-of-the-art facility was dedicated June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1989. One of two such facilities in the state; many delegations from other cities came to see its efficiency; and,

WHEREAS, having served 29 years in City, County, State, and Federal political arenas, Frank Muratore is a wonderful example of a model citizen of the City of Modesto.