

**RECOGNIZING  
GARY FRUGOLI  
2010 MARIN COUNTY ITALIAN-AMERICAN CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

**WHEREAS**, the Columbus Day Civic Committee of the Cristoforo Colombo Club of Marin annually honors leading Italian-Americans in our community, and this year is recognizing Gary Frugoli as 2010 Marin County Italian-American Citizen of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary was born in San Francisco on February 18, 1947 as the youngest of three children born to Vic and Jean Frugoli, the children of parents who emigrated to the Bay Area from small villages in the Toscana region of Italy around 1900, establishing themselves in short order as successful business proprietors; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary became a permanent resident of Marin County at the age of three, when after many years of maintaining a summer home in Marin, his family settled here as part of the great post World War II migration to the suburbs; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduating from St. Raphael's Grammar School, Gary attended San Rafael High School and College of Marin, where he played football, then transferring to Chico State University; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduating in 1969 with a degree in political science and a minor in recreation, Gary began employment with the City of San Rafael's Park and Recreation Department, where he worked until the 70's, moving on to serve ten years as a San Rafael police officer with assignments ranging from motorcycle officer to his final three year service as a detective with the Major Crimes Task Force; and

**WHEREAS**, always popular and interested in politics, Gary was elected in 1981 to the first of two four-year terms on the San Rafael City Council, which led by necessity to the end of his law enforcement career but also left him with lifelong friendships with his fellow peace officers; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1983, Gary began his long career in public relations and business development with local title companies Pacific Coast Title and Cal Land Title, and continued his involvement with numerous local organizations, including Mount Tamalpais Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West, Rotary Club of San Rafael, Cristoforo Club of Marin, Club Italia, and Marvelous Marin Breakfast Club; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary has also dedicated countless service hours to the needs of others, serving as a member or officer for the County of Marin Fisheries & Wildlife Commission, the Advisory Board of County Service Area 20, the Marin Rod and Gun Club, the California Waterfowl Association, the Marin Builders Association, the Sonoma County Trailblazers, and the College of Marin Alumni Association, as well as raising thousands of dollars each year for the Marin Food Bank, to name a few; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary has been equally passionate regarding his avocations and hobbies, is known to follow the seasons – ranging from deer hunting to duck hunting to football and baseball seasons – as well as his “all seasons” passion for golf, and can usually be depended on to add his special touch of *la dolce vita* to organize related bus trips, water hole stops and celebrations with his fellow participants.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin does hereby recognize Gary Frugoli, as “2010 Marin County Italian-American Citizen of the Year”, for his many contributions, personal and professional, to the people of the County of Marin.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 5th day of October 2010.