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## Dedication of the Clerk-Recorder-Elections Facility as the "Stephen L. Weir Building"

The Board of Supervisors and County Clerk-Recorder Debi Cooper will host a ceremony to dedicate the Clerk-Recorder-Elections facility as the "Stephen L. Weir Building" at 11 am on Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Members of the public are invited to attend the event, which will be held outside, in front of the building at 555 Escobar Street, Martinez.

Steve Weir was the County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters for nearly a quarter century, from 1989-2013. For over two decades, Steve was an innovator and pacesetter among County Departments and Clerk-Recorders across the State. He was first to implement e-commerce, offer credit card payments, use digital imaging for public records, and was primarily responsible for the current modernized building, commissioned under his leadership and opened to the public in 2007.

Steve's public service career spanned four decades. In addition to his 24 years as County Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters, Weir served as Concord City Councilman and Mayor, a member of the Contra Costa Water District, a member of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and staff member to the late Assemblyman and Senator Dan Boatwright.

Chair of the Board of Supervisors Diane Burgis summed it up; "There is not a more fitting legacy than to name the Clerk-Recorder facility after a public servant like Steve Weir. His career was distinguished by a reputation for integrity, dedication, diligence, sincerity, and professionalism. Essential to his mandate, Steve brought credibility to the office of the Clerk-Recorder and Registrar of Voters for Contra Costa County".

Debi Cooper, current Clerk-Recorder-Registrar noted, "For more than 25 years I had the remarkable privilege of working directly with Steve - including 23 years while he was the County Clerk-Recorder. He served the public with unfettered integrity, dedication, and a natural genuineness. The Clerk-Recorder-Elections Department continues the customer and voter-centric focus Steve instilled during his tenure. He is a mentor and a friend and I cannot imagine a more fitting tribute to his legacy than dedicating the Clerk-Recorder-Elections facility in his name".

The ceremony will be held outside the Stephen L. Weir Building, with care to assure social distancing. The ceremony can be viewed live via Contra Costa Television. Watch it online at <a href="contracostatv.org">contracostatv.org</a> or on CCTV channels Comcast Cable 27, ATT/U-Verse 99, and WAVE 32. ##



