

## Proclamation of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado Commemorating December 15, 2015 as Bill of Rights Day in El Dorado County

**WHEREAS**, the First Ten Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America, known collectively as the Bill of Rights, were ratified on December 15, 1791; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Bill of Rights recognizes, affirms and protects fundamental human and civil rights for which persons of all races have struggled for thousands of years; and,

**WHEREAS**, to preserve the rights and freedoms secured by the Bill of Rights, our forefathers, and hundreds of thousands of men and women serving in the public safety agencies and in the Armed Forces of the United States, have sacrificed, suffered and died; and,

**WHEREAS**, the rights and freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights deserve perennial celebrations; the sacrifices made to protect the Bill of Rights deserve eternal remembrance; and,

**WHEREAS**, to commemorate the Bill of Rights with a special day, honors the fundamental rights it enshrines and the sacrifices made to create and preserve these rights, and would proclaim these rights to the citizens of the County, to this Nation, and to the World.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, December 15, 2001 began the ongoing commemoration of Bill of Rights Day in the county of El Dorado, and each December 15<sup>th</sup> thereafter shall, at the request of its citizens, be designated Bill of Rights Day in the County of El Dorado; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, that a copy of the Bill of Rights has been and will continue to be conspicuously posted at the Board of supervisors' office and be provided to all citizens upon request; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, that all government agencies be encouraged to observe the annual Bill of Rights Day in a manner that brings to mind the meaning and importance of each of the Ten Articles contained in that Bill.

**Passed and adopted** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting, held the 15th day of December, 2015.

Attest: James S. Mitrisin Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes: Noes: Absent: