

# STOPWASTE

## Proclamation

### HONORING ARTHUR ROBINSON BOONE FOR HIS LIFELONG DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP

**WHEREAS**, Arthur Robinson Boone III (aka Robin, Boone, or simply ARB) served the citizens of Alameda County well for many decades. Not only as a committed and passionate recycling advocate, but also through leadership in numerous organizations and institutions; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1983, after a few weeks of on-the-ground research, he started managing a drop-off recycling center on Telegraph Avenue, long before curbside recycling was instituted in Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, he served on the Northern California Recycling Association (NCRA) Board of Directors for over 30 years, beginning in 1987, including four years as President; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1990, Arthur was Chair of the City of Oakland's Waste Reduction and Recycling Commission. Also, as a member of the Alameda County Measure D Steering Committee, that same year he helped create the Alameda County Source Reduction and Recycling Board, serving on the board from 2005-2007, encouraging innovation in recycling, holding the Agency accountable to its mission, and never avoiding the tough questions; and

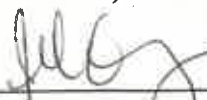
**WHEREAS**, as the designer of NCRA's Introduction to Recycling class; which he taught from 1995-2016, supporting the development of hundreds of young professionals, many whom have gone on to successful recycling-related careers; and

**WHEREAS**, he was well known for instituting and producing NCRA's Recycling Update from 1996-2016, with a unique 10-minute presentation format that he affectionately described as "speed dating for recyclers," and which has since been replicated across the country by other recycling organizations; and

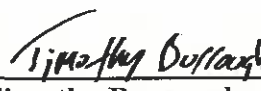
**WHEREAS**, in 2009, representing the Sierra Club, Arthur stepped up to form what he termed as Oakland's volunteer tree planting department. He subsequently planted over 1,000 trees, inspiring and recruiting many others to help; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that StopWaste hereby recognizes the many years of service of Arthur Robinson Boone and the benefit that service has brought to us, and the citizens and businesses of Alameda County.

**PRESENTED**, this 20th day of November, A.D. 2024.

  
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Jeff Wang,  
RB, President

  
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