

STAFF SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 4-5, 2015

31. WATERFOWLER'S HALL OF FAME**Today's Item****Information** **Action**

Recognize newly inducted members of the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

FGC has annually recognized inductees into the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame through the presentation of signed Fish and Game Commission resolutions.

Background

This year's inductees will be presented with resolutions by the FGC; inductees include Congressman George Miller, Doug Frederighi, Victor Gonella, Brian Hunter and Henry Trione.

Significant Public Comments (NA)**Recommendation (NA)****Exhibits**

1. [Resolution for Congressman George Miller](#)
2. [Resolution for Douglas Frederighi](#)
3. [Resolution for Victor Gonella](#)
4. [Resolution for Brian Hunter](#)
5. [Resolution for Henry Trione](#)

Motion/Direction

Moved by _____ and seconded by _____ that the Commission recognizes Congressman George Miller, Doug Frederighi, Victor Gonella, Brian Hunter and Henry Trione as members of the California Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

CALIFORNIA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
RESOLUTION HONORING

Congressman George Miller

WHEREAS, the Waterfowler's Hall of Fame was established in 2006 to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to enhancing waterfowl and their habitats in California; and

WHEREAS, many wildlife professionals, have dedicated their life's work to management and research to conserve waterfowl and their habitats; and

WHEREAS, many sportsmen and other conservationists have served a critical role in conserving our waterfowl resource by preserving, restoring, and enhancing natural habitats, managing agricultural habitats with wildlife in mind, and implementing other land uses specifically designed to benefit the waterfowl resource; and

WHEREAS, some sportsmen and other conservationists have significantly benefited the waterfowl resource by advocating legislation and other policies that provide needed resources for nesting and wintering waterfowl populations;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Fish and Game Commission hereby recognizes the addition of Congressman George Miller to the Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission recognizes Congressman Miller for his 40 years of service in the U.S. House of Representatives from California's 11th District. Congressman Miller chaired the House Natural Resources Committee from 1991-1995, during which time he guided the development and subsequent passage of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA). Passage of CVPIA gave rise to an unprecedented series of State bonds and initiatives which resulted in the investment of billions of dollars for wildlife and fisheries, including protecting and enhancing managed wetlands and associated uplands and riparian corridors. CVPIA ensured water supplies and put the "wet" in wetlands for the refuges and Grasslands Water District.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission further recognizes Congressman Miller's vision, leadership, and commitment to public service and the natural resources of California and, in particular, refuge water supplies.

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Mr. Douglas Federighi

WHEREAS, the Waterfowler's Hall of Fame was established in 2006 to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to enhancing waterfowl and their habitats in California; and

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Fish and Game Commission hereby recognizes the addition of Mr. Doug Federighi to the Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission recognizes Mr. Federighi for his substantial contributions to support quality waterfowl habitat in the Grasslands and Suisun Marsh. He is a staunch supporter of viable breeding habitat in Canada, both prairie and boreal forest, and serves as one of the few U.S. members on the Ducks Unlimited Canada's national board. Mr. Federighi is a Life Member of the California Waterfowl Association and served many years on the executive and regulations committees for the California Waterfowl Association Board of Directors. He is also a Gold Benefactor of Ducks Unlimited and currently serves on Ducks Unlimited's National Conservation Programs committee and is chair of its related Public Policy Subcommittee. He is known throughout the waterfowl community for educating government and agency members of the need for quality water for Grasslands and Central Valley wetlands

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission further recognizes Mr. Federighi's passion of promoting solutions to the habitat and environmental issues affecting his beloved Grasslands.

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Mr. Victor Gonella

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Fish and Game Commission hereby recognizes the addition of Mr. Victor Gonella to the Waterfowler's Hall of Fame.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission recognizes Mr. Gonella for his substantial contributions to restore northern pintail populations in the Pacific Flyway. In the 1990's when a botulism outbreak was killing thousands of pintail a day on Old Wives Lake, he took a small group of California Waterfowl Association supporters to Canada and prompted a Canadian and U.S. Conference to bring focus to the issue. Mr. Gonella served on the California Waterfowl Association Board of Directors and brought significant positive changes that have shaped the association to what it is today.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission further recognizes Mr. Gonella's passion for waterfowl, his vision for the California Waterfowl Association, and his positive changes which have benefited the wetland landscape of California and the health of the Pacific Flyway for generations to come.

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Mr. Brian Hunter

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FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission recognizes Mr. Hunter for his years of contributions to waterfowl conservation and wetland management. For nearly 40 years Mr. Hunter served the waterfowl community. He is known for his work with the California Department of Fish and Game in the wildlife disease laboratory, earning his MA degree researching waterfowl botulism, and eventually as the regional manager in Yountville – 15 counties along the California coast from Mendocino to San Luis Obispo, an area rich in waterfowl and wetland traditions. After retiring he was brought back to Sacramento headquarters to serve as deputy director.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission further recognizes Mr. Hunter's passion for the traditions of waterfowling and his support for hunters and anglers through his work to ensure that these recreational pastimes will be sustained for future generations. He has always been considered a real Fish and Game person and lived the Fish and Game role 24/7, even after retirement.

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FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission recognizes Mr. Trione as a prolific philanthropist, acknowledged throughout Sonoma County and beyond for his thoughtfulness and generosity. Over time, Mr. Trione owned two quality duck clubs, and it was his goal to conserve these thriving ecosystems through wise stewardship. He placed his Tule Goose club, located in the famed Butte Sink, in a perpetual conservation easement.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fish and Game Commission further recognizes Mr. Trione had a rich and generous history with the California Waterfowl Association and Ducks Unlimited. He supported the hunting and conservation world through direct contributions, hosting fundraisers and even fully funding "A Jewel in the Pacific Flyway – the Story of Gray Lodge Wildlife Area," written by former Gray Lodge Manager John B. Cowen. Mr. Trione was a dedicated conservationist and an avid outdoorsman, and believed that an investment in our environment was an investment in the future.

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