

**MEMORIAL ADJOURNMENTS SEPTEMBER 20, 2022**

**M- WASHINGTON S- HEWITT**

**SUPERVISOR WASHINGTON:**

- Mary Alice Rail Boyce

**SUPERVISOR PEREZ:**

- Mike Tennesen



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



On motion of Supervisor Washington seconded by Supervisor Hewitt, and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the meeting of Tuesday, September 20, 2022, be adjourned in memory of Mike Tennesen, who passed away August 1, 2022, after a brief bout with a rare and very aggressive Merkel Cell Carcinoma.

Mike was a very accomplished “adventure science” writer. He got his material in fire-fighting planes, in caves, in the cloud forests of South America, in the Guatemalan jungles, in Olduvai Gorge, and more. Mike also investigated a murder in the Amazon, and a toxic explosion at a chemical plant. He even swam with humpback whales.

Mike was a Writer-in-Residence at the Cary Institute for Ecosystem Studies in Millbrook, New York, and a Media Fellow at the Nicholas School of the Environment and Earth Sciences, Duke University. He produced three books, and several hundred scholarly articles in journals like Discover, Scientific American, New Scientist, National Wildlife, Audubon, Science, and Smithsonian.

Mike was an active member of Homeowners, he sat on the Board of the Community Council, and he was a member of the California Turtle & Tortoise Club. He loved Sky Valley ever since acquiring the old Clancy Allen place in the summer of 2010. He always wanted to be of service and to protect the desert. He was a faithful watchdog over all the beauty he found in the Desert.

Mike’s memory and passionate spirit will live forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

The Board of Supervisors commemorates his service to the County of Riverside.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family of Mike Tennesen.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on September 20, 2022 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors

Dated: September 20, 2022

Kecia Harper, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in  
and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

By: *Merraine Lim* Deputy

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On motion of Supervisor Washington seconded by Supervisor Hewitt, IT WAS ORDERED that the meeting of Tuesday, September 20, 2022, be adjourned in memory of Mary Alice Rail Boyce.

Mary was the granddaughter of Murrieta pioneers Charles and Mary Rail, whose farm is now the site of Rail Ranch School.

As a native of Murrieta, she authored Murrieta Old Town, New Town, which covers many aspects, including the area before it was settled. Mary had many fond memories of growing up in what was a very small town.

Mary's memory and passionate spirit will live forever in the hearts of those who knew and loved her. She will always be remembered for her quick wit and big smile. Mary will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

The Board of Supervisors commemorates her service to the County of Riverside.

IT WAS FURTHER ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors expresses its heartfelt condolences to the family of Mary Alice Rail Boyce.

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WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors

Dated: September 20, 2022

Kecia Harper, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in  
and for the County of Riverside, State of California.

By: *Morraine Tunn* Deputy

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