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Director of Human Resources Recognized for Innovative Leadership *Donna Vaillancourt Lauded by Statewide Association*

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. – The California Public Employee Labor Relations Association has honored San Mateo County Director of Human Resources Donna Vaillancourt with the 2009 “Moving Forward Award.”

Ms. Vaillancourt received a commendation today from the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in recognition of her achievement.

Ms. Vaillancourt was selected for the Moving Forward Award for her innovative leadership, commitment to public service and passion for maximizing individual potential as demonstrated through her work on the County’s Workforce and Succession Management Program and the International City/County Management Association’s Preparing the Next Generation Initiative.

“Donna Vaillancourt’s career and personal experience has exemplified her commitment to providing outstanding public service at the local level. She is passionate about maximizing individual and organizational potential, as well as positioning the County as an employer of choice,” Allison Picard, president of the California Public Employee Labor Relations Association, wrote to County Manager David Boesch.

The association’s board of directors established the award to recognize innovative leadership in labor relations and human resources programs. The award is designed to honor organizations or individuals who have had an impact on their organizations by improving labor relations, resolving disputes, addressing new challenges or by assisting others in their growth in the profession. Recipients are models and mentors to others.

Ms. Vaillancourt began her career with San Mateo County in 1981 after serving three years in the Army. She has held numerous positions within the organization and became Director of Human Resources in 2006.

A photo of Ms. Vaillancourt is available upon request.

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