Resolution

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING

HELEN L. WONG

FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO VETERANS

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that HELEN L. WONG has served our Nation as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. In 1995, she retired after 22 years of distinguished service. Helen is a Vietnam and Desert Storm veteran whose duties as an Occupational Therapist in the Army Medical Specialist Corps took her to Ft. Sam Houston, Texas and to Ft. Lewis in Washington; and

WHEREAS, HELEN L. WONG goes the extra mile to help, aid and comfort fellow veterans. In her current position as Clinical Support Specialist of Occupation Therapy in Long Term Care for the VA Palo Alto Healthcare System, Menlo Park Division, she sees the daily plight of the forgotten veteran. Many of these long term care patients have no one to bring them cheer or challenge in their daily routines. They have no family or friends to personally uplift their spirits. Helen has that special gift to insure her veterans have interesting things to keep their mind and bodies occupied; and

WHEREAS, HELEN L. WONG has volunteered over 2,500 hours of her own personal time to the VA Hospital. Helen's efforts on the job and as a volunteer are never-ending. Her accomplishments are too numerous to mention; and

WHEREAS, HELEN L. WONG is currently serving as Northern Area Commander for AMVETS, Vice Chair & Treasurer for San Mateo County Veterans Employment Committee, Secretary for Vietnam Veterans of America Post 464 of San Mateo County, Treasurer for Disabled American Veterans District 3, and Treasurer for Mission Peace Inc. Helen is also a member of the Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S., American Legion Post 828, the Retired Officers Association, U.S. Volunteers, and charter member of Women in Military Service for America; and

WHEREAS, HELEN L. WONG was recently awarded the Ira Davis Memorial "Chairman's Award" for Outstanding Volunteer of the Year and is being presented this year with the San Mateo County Clyde Clark Memorial Award for Service to the Veterans Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, does hereby honor and commend HELEN L. WONG for her outstanding service and commitment to the veterans who served this Great Nation.

DATED: May 8, 2001

SUPERVISORS:

MICHAEL D. NEVIN, PRESIDENT