## Resolution

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

## MARY LOUISE LEE

UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM SEIU LOCAL 715

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE began her career in the tumultuous era of the 1960's as the first woman of color at the General Telephone Company; and

WHEREAS, in the 70's, MARY LOUISE LEE was employed by the City of Palo Alto and was interested in assisting her fellow employees in the area of safe working conditions and protection of their job benefits; and

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE due to her excellent negotiation skills was consistently re-elected shop steward, chapter chair and negotiating team member; and

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE moved to full time union work representing workers from schools, San Mateo County, cities, and more; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, MARY LOUISE LEE was appointed by Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante to represent court workers on a Statewide Task Force which was the driving force in the creation of a new state law establishing bargaining rights for court workers; and

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE is recognized in the labor community as a leader and an advocate for the worker, and serves on the Executive Board of the San Mateo County Labor Council; and

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE was elected to serve on the El Camino Hospital Board, once again as the only woman and person of color to serve in that capacity; and

WHEREAS, MARY LOUISE LEE's selfless dedication to professional associations, her family and her community is unmatched and she is a shining example for others to follow,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County commends MARY LOUISE LEE for her leadership and passionate commitment to the members of SEIU throughout San Mateo County and wishes her all the best in her future endeavors.

**DATED:** January 17, 2003

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Attest: Deputy

Clerk of the

Board of Supervisors

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