

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

BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors that on this second day of February 2003, the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION commemorates its 75th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Baywood Estates was formed in 1860 when John Parrott, a successful California businessman, and his wife Abby purchased the land, formerly known as Brookside, for \$30,000 and subsequently renamed the land, Baywood, after the indigenous Bay Trees that lined the San Mateo Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Parrott family had a profound desire to give back to their community where Abby Parrott fulfilled her husband's dying wish to "turn no hungry man away" by providing hot, nutritious meals to an estimated 300,000 weary, homeless travelers from the family home in Baywood; and

WHEREAS, in 1927, Baywood was put up for sale and listed as the "perfect residential area" and in 1930 the land was purchased by the Dunn Williams Company for \$850,000 - a transaction that went down in San Mateo County history as "the greatest real estate deal ever done"; and

WHEREAS, the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION was formed in 1927 for the purpose of "the promotion of civic betterments and social improvements" in the Baywood area; and

WHEREAS, the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION members are active in their community, working collaboratively to address a variety of issues of mutual interest to the residents; and

WHEREAS, some of the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION achievements include: acquiring the Baywood Tree Park; developing a bicycle trail and sidewalks on Crystal Springs Road; protecting the bridge area by discouraging overbuilding; and making safety a high priority by incorporating stop lights and effective signage throughout the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION can also be proud of its members where, in many cases, the Association Directors have gone on to serve in local government as City Council members and Parks and Recreation Commissioners and many members continue their interest in public service by volunteering their time to serve on Citizen's Advisory Committees and by actively participating at City Planning Commission meetings on issues of importance to their community; and

WHEREAS, for several years, the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION members have demonstrated a strong interest in their children's education by giving generously and often to the neighborhood schools: Baywood Elementary School, Borel Middle School and Aragon High School,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County commends and congratulates the BAYWOOD OWNERS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION on its 75th Anniversary and wishes it continued success in its future endeavors.

DATED: February 2, 2003
SUPERVISORS: