

Resolution

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COMMENDING AND HONORING

MARY LEE

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that MARY LEE has been a Senior Field Representative for Service Employees Union Local 715 for the last eight years and, as a key figure in the local labor community, has lead a career dedicated to promoting the rights of working men and women everywhere; and

WHEREAS, MARY LEE, after graduating from Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama during the racially tumultuous 1960's, became the first woman of color to be hired at the General Telephone Company; and

WHEREAS, MARY LEE began working full time for SEIU 715 in 1987 after working for the City of Palo Alto Utilities Department from the late 1970's and being elected steward, chapter chair and negotiating team member by her SEIU 715 peers and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, MARY LEE was appointed by Lieutenant Governor Cruz Bustamante to the Statewide Taskforce for court workers ensuring passage of a new state law establishing bargaining rights for those workers; and

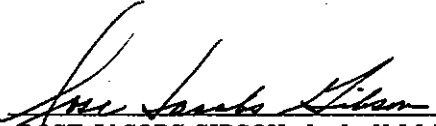
WHEREAS, MARY LEE has been elected and re-elected to many terms on the San Mateo County Central Labor Council's Executive Board and is the only woman and person of color to be elected to the El Camino Hospital Board; and

WHEREAS, MARY LEE and her family are active members of the Mount Zion Baptist Church in Redwood City.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, does hereby honor MARY LEE for her passionate dedication to furthering the rights of workers, women and people of color, and joins her husband J.B., her daughter Olubayo and her grandson Mawiyah in recognizing her achievements and thanking her for being an inspiration to all.

DATED: July 15, 2003

SUPERVISORS:


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