## Resolution

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

## JUDY GAITHER

WHEREAS, on this 17th day of September two thousand and three JUDY GAITHER is honored for her 19 years of extraordinary service, including eight years as Executive Director, to the Human Investment Project (HIP Housing) working to ensure that affordable housing is available to low-income individuals, persons with disabilities, seniors and single-parents and their children: and

WHEREAS, as Executive Director, JUDY GAITHER developed and implemented HIP Housing's Housing Opportunities Program (HOP), which provides housing and support services to enable low-income families to achieve self-reliance, free of all governmental assistance and since its inception in 1996, the program has helped over 100 families and has received numerous awards, including the Blue Ribbon Award for Best Practices by the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, Under JUDY GAITHER'S leadership, the number of affordable rental units HIP Housing's Property Development Division acquired and rehabilitated grew substantially from 18 units to 194 units, providing low-cost, quality housing for hundreds of individuals and families in San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, JUDY GAITHER is a founding Board Member of the Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County, which was established to make housing in San Mateo County inclusive and available for all and she has served as Chair of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, JUDY GAITHER has served on numerous boards and steering committees that have been successful in developing direction and implementing direct services to individuals with housing needs, including the steering committee of the Housing Forum, Housing Trust Fund, Peninsula Policy Partnership Housing Action Team, County Continuum of Care, the Success Housing Design Team and the National Shared Housing Resource Center; and

WHEREAS, for her dedication and innovative work; JUDY GAITHER was honored in 2000 by KQED during Women's History Month, presented the Making A Difference for Women Award by Soroptimist International and honored by SAMCEDA and the Economic Vitality Partnership for her outstanding service to San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, in 2002, JUDY GAITHER was inducted into the San Mateo County Women's Hall of Fame for her exemplary record of community service and unwavering commitment to San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, through her tireless efforts, dedication and endless generosity to the community, JUDY GAITHER has earned the admiration and respect of those who have the privilege of associating with her,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County extend their congratulations to JUDY GAITHER on the occasion of her retirement, with heartfelt thanks for her dedication and service to the community, and best wishes for success in her future endeavors.

DATED: September 17, 2003

SUPERVISORS: