

Resolution

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

FRIENDS OF EDGEWOOD PARK

WHEREAS, on this October 19th, two thousand and three, the FRIENDS OF EDGEWOOD PARK organization is recognized for 10 years of dedicated stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the Friends helped the County create a vision for a nature preserve on an area of land that was slated to become a golf course and, in 1993, a group of Friends spent 1,500 hours to formulate a 180-page draft Master Plan for the Edgewood Natural Preserve;

WHEREAS, the Friends have trained docents to share knowledge and lead annual Spring Wildflower Walks for over 1,000 visitors to encourage appreciation of the preserve's diverse plant communities and 100 flowering species;

WHEREAS, in 1995, the Friends initiated a successful Volunteer Trail Patrol program to educate visitors, increase awareness of special preservation requirements on trails and prevent damage by off-road vehicles;

WHEREAS, the Friends have contributed over 10,000 hours of weed removal and habitat restoration work and have played a strong role in cooperative efforts to control invasive species with the California Native Plants Society, County Parks and the County Weed Control Area;

WHEREAS, a group of Friends came together in 1999 to discuss development of an Interpretive Center for Edgewood and progress is being made on a concept plan with funding from the Parks Foundation,

WHEREAS, specially dedicated docents lead school groups in programs like "Youth Partners in Parks" and "Poetry in the Park" to inspire children's involvement in environmental stewardship;

WHEREAS, the Friends of Edgewood have offered leadership and contributions to San Mateo County through holding many community outreach events like Earth Day, running the Expression of Edgewood juried photo exhibit, participating in the State's Adopt-a-Highway program and supporting the Parks Foundation;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County extends their congratulations to the THE FRIENDS OF EDGEWOOD PARK on the occasion of the organization's 10th anniversary, and offer heartfelt thanks for dedication to the Edgewood Park and community and extends best wishes for on-going success.


DATED: October 19th, 2003

SUPERVISORS:


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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors