Resolution

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

ALISON MILLS

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has made herself known as a strong advocate for Mental Health before the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and has been the first Mental Health Consumer to serve as the Mental Health Board Chair in San Mateo County, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills served as the Chair of the San Mateo Mental Health Board for two years--October 2002 through October 2004, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has been the San Mateo Mental Health Board's representative on the Mental Health Quality Improvement Committee (2000-2002) and has participated in numerous Mental Health Division planning committees during her tenure on the Mental Health Board – including the work with development of the Division's strategic plan in 2002, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills was the San Mateo County Mental Heath Board's representative to the Bay Area Region of the California Association of Local Mental Health Boards and Commissions (CALMHB/C) from 2001-2004, served as the elected Bay Area representative to the CALMHB/C Board from 2001-2004, and as Vice President in 2003-4, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has consistently attended California Mental Health Planning Council meetings and has actively contributed by making public comment on a variety of critical mental health issues while at the CALMHB/C, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has been a highly visible and effective advocate for quality mental health services in San Mateo County and in California and has consistently participated or led in the work of creating effective and accountable services, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has distinguished herself by speaking out for the central role that mental health consumers must have in shaping their services, and;

WHEREAS, Alison Mills has been willing to take stands on issues—particularly difficult issues, and has through personal example challenged the stigma and discrimination that mental health consumers must work to overcome in our society, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County does hereby acknowledge and commend Alison Mills for sharing her sense of humor, for being a role model for mental health clients and for contributing her leadership to improving the quality of life for people with mental health issues, family members and the community as a whole in San Mateo County.

DATED: November 3, 2004

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