

#### Patricia Ann Giosso

**Upon Her Induction Into The** Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, Patricia Ann Giosso, as the devoted mother of Victor, born with developmental disabilities, has worked tirelessly for more than 40 years to increase understanding of and opportunities for people such as her son; and

WHEREAS, since 1963, Pat has volunteered her time and resources to help organizations supporting those with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Pat served for 10 years as a board member for Parca, and is in her second term on the board of Community Gatepath; and

WHEREAS, Pat played significant roles in the creation of two group homes in San Mateo County for adults with developmental disabilities, Cedar House in San Carlos and Alameda House in Redwood City; and

WHEREAS, for each of the past 19 years, Pat and her husband, John, have organized and managed multiple fundraising efforts that have netted some \$2.5 million benefiting various programs for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Patricia Ann Giosso upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Pat and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

DATED: MARCH 24, 2005



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Andrea Jenoff

Upon Her Induction Into The

Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, Andrea Jenoff, as principal of Carlmont High School in Belmont, recognized a need, as well as, an opportunity to correct erroneous and negative perceptions of the campus by the overall community; and

WHEREAS, Andrea worked with parents of middle school students to create the Eighth Grade Transition program, which allows parents to visit Carlmont before their children entered high school; and

WHEREAS, Andrea's dedication to at-risk teens led to the creation of the Carlmont Motivation Center; and

WHEREAS each program earned the prestigious J. Russell Kent Exemplary Program Award, presented annually by the San Mateo County School Boards Association; and

WHEREAS, Andrea has provided leadership and financial support to her staff and faculty, establishing a biotechnology program, expanding fine arts and advanced placement classes and improving student guidance; and

WHEREAS, Carlmont High School, under Andrea's guidance, has seen significant increases in enrollment, test scores and its Academic Performance Index.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Andrea Jenoff upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Andrea and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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

## Barbara Kuehn

Upon Her Induction Into The

Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, Barbara Kuehn started her legal career as a calendar clerk, before moving up to legal secretary, paralegal, firm management and eventually earning her own law degree; and

WHEREAS, Barbara operated her own law firm in 1992 from an office in her home, growing from 35 clients to more than 135 in six months; and

WHEREAS, Barbara recognized a lack of oversight regarding bias issues within the courts system and spearheaded efforts that led to the creation of the Professional Equality Committee of the San Mateo County Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, Barbara works to secure scholarship funds for women law students and has received the California State Bar Association's highest award for her pro bono services; and

WHEREAS, Barbara represents San Mateo County's women lawyers by serving on the board of California Women Lawyers, a statewide bar association that lobbies for women's issues at the state and federal levels.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Barbara Kuehn upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Barbara and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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## Nancy Torres Upon Her Induction Into The

Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, for a quarter-century, Nancy Torres has brought smiles and comfort to myriad children forced to endure the pain and fear of cancer, bone marrow, chemotherapy, radiation and spinal treatments; and

WHEREAS, Nancy marks 25 years as "the toy box lady," at the helm of "A Very Special Toy Box," a non-profit that has grown from just one toy box in the pediatric oncology ward at Kaiser Hospital in Redwood City, to 11 children's cancer centers across California; and

WHEREAS, Nancy's tireless efforts allow such young patients the joy and privilege of unlocking the toy box and selecting a new toy during a time in their lives when very few things, if any, allow them to simply be children; and

WHEREAS, Nancy and her supporters organize special events, holiday treats and annual picnics for the children, while Nancy herself remains anonymous to the patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, "A Very Special Toy Box" operates out of Nancy's Redwood City home and she is motivated by her love of children and the loss of her own father to cancer in the mid-1970s.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Nancy Torres upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Nancy and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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## **Constance** Zakos

Upon Her Induction Into The Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, when Constance Zakos returned to California after serving with the Peace Corp in western Africa, she created a continuing education program that grew into what is now Peninsula High School in San Bruno; and

WHEREAS, Connie retired from teaching in 2003, capping a 37-year career that started at a school for boys in Sierra Leone and culminated in her 15 years as Peninsula High School's Connections Program Director and Work Experience Coordinator, and

WHEREAS, the San Mateo Union High School District persuaded Connie to return as Coordinator of Adult Secondary and Basic Education; and

WHEREAS, Connie continues to volunteer her own time to help low-income teens with clothing and employment and to expand students' learning beyond the classroom, including professional and business conferences, day trips to snow country and camping excursions to Death Valley; and

WHEREAS, Connie's commitment to the youth of San Mateo County has garnered recognition, awards and accolades locally as well as statewide.

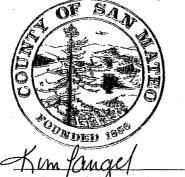
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Constance Zakos upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Connie and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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#### Young Woman of Excellence Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County

WHEREAS, Marina Alanna Gatto is a straight-A student at Carlmont High School in Belmont, where she served as president of her sophomore class, competes in three varsity sports, performs with a Polynesian dance troupe and is a formidable debater with the Junior Statesmen of America; and

WHERERS, Marina is the daughter of a lesbian couple, and has overcome tremendous hurdles to become an inspiring activist for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community, fighting tirelessly against prejudice; and

MHEREAS, Marina has carried her message nationally, appearing in media ranging from Nickelodeon and the Montel Williams Show to the Today Show on NBC and countless local broadcasts; and

WHEREAS, Marina speaks regularly at various events to inform and educate people about youth with LGBT families, including a marriage rights rally in Washington, D.C. and as grand marshal of pride parades in San Francisco and San Jose; and

WHEREAS, Marina's efforts earned her a 2004 Respect Award from the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, and a 2004 "Born to Lead" CosmoGIRL! of the Year Award from CosmoGIRL! Magazine.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Marina Alanna Gatto upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Marina and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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### Marcella Rose Padilla

Upon Her Induction Into The Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County Young Woman of Excellence

WHEREAS, Marcella Rose Padilla exceeded the required 10 hours of community service per semester at Menlo School in Atherton by accumulating more than 4,000 hours, earning a Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, being part of a bi-cultural, immigrant family, Marcella sought to enhance diversity at her school by creating the first Latinos Unidos, participating in the Multicultural Awareness Club and joining the Black Student Union; and

WHEREAS, Marcella once initiated a movement to change Columbus Day to Rediscovering Indigenous People Day, as part of her overall effort to ensure that students of color at Menlo School have confidence and pride in themselves as leaders; and

WHEREAS, Marcella is the recipient of a 2002 Voices of our Future Award from the YWCA and a Cool Kid Award from the San Jose Mercury News.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Marcella Rose Padilla upon her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame of San Mateo County, and extends to Marcella and her family its heartfelt thanks and sincere wishes for continued success.

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