Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Resolution Recognizing And Honoring Jo A. Weber, Director Of The Sonoma County Human Services Department.

Whereas, JO A. WEBER is retiring after a long and distinguished career as a Sonoma County Human Services professional, and we wish to recognize Jo for her significant contributions to the common good in Sonoma County since 2004; and

Whereas, Jo, as Assistant Director for two years, and as Director of the Sonoma County Human Services Department since September 2006, maintained oversight of the largest department in Sonoma County government which operates from eight locations with approximately 650 employees and a budget of over $230 million, to ensure the delivery of child welfare and protective services, including an emergency shelter at the Valley of the Moon Children’s Home and the Redwood Children’s Center; eligibility services for cash aid, medical assistance and food stamps to needy individuals and families; employment and training services for all county residents through JobLink and SonomaWORKs; and, assistance to vulnerable elderly and disabled individuals to maintain their independence and quality of life, such as Veterans’ Services, Public Guardian, Administrator and Conservator, In-Home Supportive Services and Adult Protective Services; and

Whereas, under Jo’s leadership, the Department is well respected in the community and has strong partnerships with community-based organizations and other community partners; and

Whereas, Jo’s leadership in developing and promoting the county’s Upstream policies has left a legacy that will help to guide future county programs; and

Whereas, Jo’s selection and mentoring of Human Services Dept’s Executive Team leaves a team of solid professionals to carry out the Board of Supervisors’ priorities; and

Whereas, Jo has served on a variety of county and statewide boards, including Sonoma County’s First 5 Commission, United Way, the Santa Rosa Mayor’s Gang Prevention Task Force, the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board, the County Welfare Directors Association’s Board of Directors and Executive Committee, where she served as Vice President at Large, and as President of the National Association of County Human Services Administrators; and

Whereas, Jo anticipates spending more time in retirement with her family, especially her parents; hiking more often; learning to play a musical instrument, such as the piano; becoming a yoga instructor, and someday teaching a yoga class at Valley of the Moon Children’s Home; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors
hereby issues this proclamation thanking Jo for her years of dedication and service to ensure the self-sufficiency, health and welfare of children, youth, adults, and families in Sonoma County, and extends their best wishes for her retirement from the social services system.

**Supervisors:**

Brown: Rabbitt: Zane: McGuire: Carrillo:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

*So Ordered.*