

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

**ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ**

*Women in County Government 2023 Development Champion Award Recipient*

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WHEREAS, for the past 20 years, ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ has been extremely talented in her role as the Deputy Director of Child and Youth Service for Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, she is bilingual and bicultural Latina with over 25 years' experience in the mental health field, she has served in different parts of the youth system as a clinician, program specialist, supervisor, and clinical services manager of Canyon Oaks Youth Center, our short-residential treatment program, and other Youth clinics, she holds a Master of Science in Counseling with a concentration in marriage, family, and child counseling, with a second specialization in school counseling from San Francisco State University; and

WHEREAS, ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ is the only Latin X woman to serve on the BHRS Executive Team, where she serves as both a role model and mentor, helping pave the way for young women who will come behind her, she makes it her mission to help other women advance in their careers and community; she has collaborated with BHRS's Office of Diversity and Equity to develop health Equity Initiatives to promote diversity, equity, and advocacy for marginalized communities and be a bridge to our county services, she co-chaired the Latino Collaborative, one of the Health Equity Initiatives organized by the County's first Latinx Sana Sana community event to educate and empower our communities by supporting wellness and recovery; and

WHEREAS, ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ is a strong collaborator, building and fostering relationships with many community partners representing the BHRS Youth System of Care, her collaboration extends to partnership with the San Mateo County Office of Education and 12 school districts, resulting in the acquisition of a \$6.0 million grant over four years from the State's Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, this grant aims to build schools capacity to provide evidence-based early intervention programs, specifically targeting the mental wellness of children, youth, and families, particularly vulnerable communities; and

WHEREAS, ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ has lifted up coastal communities by supporting program development and expansion at Puente del Sol, ALAS, specifically services to the coast's Latin X community, including farmworkers and the undocumented; during COVID-19 she organized County and community representatives, respected by the Latin X community, and held the first COVID-19 Facebook Live event that became a model for public education on protection from COVID-19; she again rose to the occasion in her support of the coast especially at the schools and the youth during the HMB shooting incident, making sure staff was in direct support with youth and families emotions and feelings around the tragic event; and

WHEREAS, ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ's brilliant and caring spirit, her leadership, and her vision for the youth division of BHRS have demonstrated that during chaos and the ever-changing system of BHRS she has helped to restore hope and sustain our moral, with her leadership and attention to detail, we will help to embrace the goals and work of the youth,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby gratefully commends ZIOMARA OCHOA RODRIGUEZ, Women in County Government's 2023 Development Champion Award Recipient, for her exemplary leadership and commitment to the community in San Mateo County and wishes her well in the years ahead.

Dated: December 11, 2023

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