

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

## JEAN BARTLETT

For her writing that connects community and preserves local history

WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT, San Francisco-born, whose family dates back to both San Francisco and San Mateo Counties since the late 1870s, has lived in Pacifica since 1995; and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT**, working as a features writer for the Pacifica Tribune from 2000 through 2019, wrote more than 2,000 stories on Pacificans, including: teachers, artists, musicians, nonprofit leaders, students, seniors, business owners, community doers, struggling citizens and more; and

WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT, writing for other Bay Area papers including Catholic San Francisco, Coastal Connections and Peninsula Progress, has profiled individual Coastsiders and Peninsulans, including: former mayor Al Teglia and city librarian Samuel Chandler (Daly City); former mayor Rae Gonzalez and the family behind Molloy's Tavern (Colma); former mayor Jim Ruane and Korean War POW Ted Pallas (San Bruno); and Montara residents Jackie and Ron Thomas, co-founders of Half Moon Bay's Coastal Repertory Theatre; and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT**, brought on board by the Pacifica Veterans Memorial Group, Pacifica American Legion Post 238 and Pacifica VFW Post 10245, wrote individual stories on each Vietnam or Iraq-fallen Pacifican, to correspond with the 14 names on Pacifica's new memorial wall; and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT** has written two historic biography books for Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma to honor the lives of some of their residents, including: baseball legend Joe DiMaggio, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and Michael A. Healy, the son of a slave who was an officer in the US Revenue Marine during the Civil War; and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT** has written the only living biography on the memorial website, Making Everlasting Memories, which is on Auschwitz survivor and Daly City resident Renée Duering; and

WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT, recognizing the shift in community newspaper journalism has, since 2017, continued to tell the stories of local citizens on her website Bartlett's Biographies, including Hon. Quentin L. Kopp (Ret.), 100-year-old Pacifican Doretta Youngdahl, Pacifica's first Mayor Jean Fassler and Redwood City American Legion Post 105 longtime Commander Romie Bassetto; and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT** is the recipient of awards from: the Pacific Beach Coalition "for connecting our purpose and our community through story;" the Pacifica Chamber of Commerce "for her outstanding support of Pacificans and their businesses;" Pacifica Performances "for her Outstanding Service in the Field of Journalism for the Arts;" and the Pacifica Historical Society recognition of her as the City Biographer "for her Commitment to and Support of Pacifica History;" and

**WHEREAS JEAN BARTLETT** continues to tell local stories, working as a freelance writer despite its financial uncertainties, because she believes the power of one individual's story can educate and unite us in our humanity, as well as help those who follow understand the roads that came before them.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County does hereby recognize and commend **JEAN BARTLETT** for her tireless efforts to present, save and celebrate individual members of local communities through story.

Dated: December 6, 2022

## SUPERVISORS:

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