

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

Women in County Government 2022 Development Champion Award Recipient

WHEREAS, for the past 15 years, CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM has been an extremely talented lawyer for the County of San Mateo, especially demonstrating her talent as a brilliant innovator in the areas of schools, school safety, school law, and systems for collaboration to improve the health and safety of everyone connected in the county's school communities; and

WHEREAS, CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM was tasked with supporting the County Office of Education in addressing the issue of gun violence in schools, guiding the process in developing the Big Five emergency safety protocols, a critical component of the County's Safe and Supportive Schools initiative which continues to be valuable as part of the support services being provided to address the post-pandemic isolation and social-emotional health of our young people; and

WHEREAS, it was during the COVID-19 pandemic that CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM exemplified a sure and steady, confident and calm approach at a time of chaos providing a pillar of support for all 23 school districts and her work colleagues, alike, being willing to listen, provide feedback and support, offer resources with a rational approach to novel problems and a witty sense of humor and grace under pressure; and

WHEREAS, CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM leads a team of nine attorneys to whom she provides welcoming, helpful and caring mentorship and resources, having established an in-house school resource shared repository of memos, legal research and collaboration material to ensure collegiality and cooperation in solving common problems in an effort to equitably encourage and foster development of and to strengthen leadership in her team and others with whom she works; and

WHEREAS, CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM has maintained her upbeat and optimistic attitude, even during a challenging time of recovery from a major accident, wherein she continually has provided top legal services, mentoring, and inspiration with her hard work, incisive intelligence, utilizing her calm and even temperament in offering thoughtful and direct leadership,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby gratefully commends CLAIRE CUNNINGHAM, Women in County Government's 2022 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 13, 2022

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors