

PROCLAMATION

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

Marlena Sessions

For her incredible work at Novaworks and exceptional leadership within the County of San Mateo

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions has demonstrated exemplary leadership and dedication as the Director of Novaworks, the esteemed regional workforce development agency that is based in Sunnyvale, CA with additional offices throughout San Mateo County; and

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions has an outstanding track record of service and achievement in the field of workforce development, having previously served as the Director of the San Bernardino County Workforce Development Department and as the Senior Vice President at Grant Associates; and

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions has a distinguished career that began in direct service, and her unwavering commitment to empowering individuals and communities through workforce initiatives has left a lasting impact on countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions served with utmost distinction at the Workforce Development Council of Seattle-King County, where she held various positions and ultimately rose to the esteemed position of Chief Executive Officer, demonstrating exceptional leadership and visionary prowess for nine commendable years; and

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions' academic accomplishments are noteworthy, holding a Bachelor's degree from Whitworth University and a Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership from Gonzaga University, which have undoubtedly contributed to her remarkable abilities as a leader and advocate for workforce development; and

WHEREAS, Marlena Sessions has consistently championed diversity and inclusivity in all aspects of her work, promoting equal opportunities for underrepresented groups and fostering an environment of respect and understanding within Novaworks and the broader community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby applaud Marlena Sessions for the hard work that she continues to bring to Novaworks as well as her dedication to improving the Bay Area around her.

Dated: August 25th, 2023

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