## RESOLUTION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION HONORS AND COMMENDS

## LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH

2012 Women's Hall of Fame Recipient

WHEREAS, as the child of a strong mother and grandmother, both of whom were community leaders, LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH distinguished herself early in life by being selected to represent seven western states at an Episcopal Church of America world conference; and then, by receiving a full, four-year, pre-med scholarship to the University of the Pacific; and

WHEREAS, in 1964, LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH became an active layperson with the Episcopal Diocese of California as an education co-coordinator and support person for the Futures Project; and in 1974, attended seminary and was among the first women in Northern California to become ordained as a Deacon; then, a Priest in the Episcopal Church; and finally, a Vicar; and

WHEREAS,, LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH earned a Doctorate of Ministry in 1991 from Virginia Theological Seminary, while commuting between Washington, D.C. and San Mateo County while she attended classes on the East Coast and, also, tended to her family and church flock at St. Elizabeth's in South San Francisco on the West Coast; and

WHEREAS, LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH after nearly 50 years of ministering to and serving Daly City, San Bruno, and South San Francisco was asked to retire at age 72 years, and has chosen, instead, to volunteer as a full-time Assistant Priest at St. Martin Episcopal Church in Daly City, strengthening the services offered, including free bread distribution, bag lunches for the needy, exercise classes for seniors, and benefit fundraising concerts; and

WHEREAS, LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH can be credited with a long list of successful projects that have benefited the community, including Daly City ACCESS member, Citizen's Advisory Committee member of the North County Mental Health facility and 23-year member of the Seton Medical Center Community Advisory Committee, worked on developing the RotaCare free clinic, Elizabeth Ann Seton New Life Center, formation of the SSF Food Pantry, SFO Airport Disaster Team, Shelter Network's Family Crossroads residence, advocated for Elder Abuse Prevention, supporter of Adopt a Family projects, among so many others,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates commends LYNN EASTMAN BOWDISH, 2012 Women's Hall of Fame Recipient, for her exemplary leadership to the community in San Mateo County.

**Dated: March 22, 2012** 

**SUPERVISORS:** 

DAVE PINE
CAROLE GROOM
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ADRIENNE J. TISSIER



Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors