

Resolution

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING

Senior Peer Counseling

Upon the Celebration of Its
25th Anniversary

WHEREAS, *Senior Peer Counseling was founded in 1987 by Delia McGrath and was part of San Mateo County Behavioral Health and Recovery; and*

WHEREAS, *Senior Peer Counseling helps San Mateo County older adults and the needs of the underserved, minority, ethnic and all cultural communities as they adjust to life changes, health issues, depression or are simply in need of guidance and support; and*

WHEREAS, *Senior Peer Counseling averages 5000 visits a year serving over 350 clients, with 103 volunteer counselors ranging in age from 55 to their early 90's; and*

WHEREAS, *in 1989 another component, La Esperanza Vive, was added to serve the Spanish speaking population; and,*

WHEREAS, *Senior Peer Counseling was contracted to San Mateo County's Peninsula Family Service in 2009 and the program was expanded to serve three additional populations; Chinese, Filipino and the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) Seniors; and*

WHEREAS, *Senior Peer Counseling is funded by California State Proposition 63, the name Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), which was passed in November, 2004.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County congratulates Senior Peer Counseling upon its 25th anniversary. The Board extends sincere wishes for many more years of continuous success and excellence.

Dated: July 31, 2012

SUPERVISORS:

ADRIENNE J. TISSIER, PRESIDENT

DAVE PINE

CAROLE GROOM

DON HORSLEY

ROSE JACOBS GIBSON

Attest:

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors