RESOLUTION

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

Friends of Edgewood Natural Preserve

WHEREAS, San Mateo County recognizes the value of its County parks and open spaces to our community, 1993, this Board of Supervisors designated **Edgewood County Park** as a Natural Preserve in perpetuity in order to protect and preserve its natural and cultural resources; and

WHEREAS, the **Friends of Edgewood** was founded in 1993 as a volunteer organization with the vision of restoring and preserving Edgewood's ecosystem as an exceptional habitat for native plants and animals, and providing outstanding natural history programs so that visitors of all ages can appreciate, respect, support and be inspired by Edgewood; and

WHEREAS, for the past 20 years, the **Friends of Edgewood** has actively promoted and funded habitat restoration activities at Edgewood as performed by the California Native Plant Society, has conducted free docent-led springtime wildflower walks, curriculum-based educational walks for youth, and other nature walks through Edgewood serving hundreds of visitors per year; and

WHEREAS, the **Friends of Edgewood** operates the Bill and Jean Lane Education Center, which has been visited by more than 15,500 visitors since it opened April 2011, and organizes host training, staffs the Center, and provides all interpretive and education programs that occur there, and has adopted a segment of Highway I-280 adjacent to Edgewood, helping to make Edgewood beautiful and attractive to motorists as well as visitors; and

WHEREAS, the **Friends of Edgewood** works in partnership with the San Mateo County Parks Department in support of trail patrol, trail maintenance, the Take A Hike program, and other activities at Edgewood; and

WHEREAS, volunteers from the **Friends of Edgewood** have offered over 35,000 hours of service over the most recent ten years toward accomplishing their mission of protecting and celebrating Edgewood as a unique treasure by promoting exemplary stewardship, and by reaching out with informative public programs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby honors and commends the **Friends of Edgewood** in this, their twentieth year of service to the community.

Dated: May 7, 2013

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