Resolution

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

CITY OF TOYONAKA

For commemorating 50 years of friendship with the City of San Mateo

********** WHEREAS, fifty years ago on the 8th of October in the year 1963 the cities of San Mateo, California and Toyonaka, Japan pledged everlasting friendship through a commitment to promote cultural exchanges between the two cities in order to learn about each other's lifestyles and customs, deepen mutual understanding, cultivate friendship and participate in goodwill commitment between Japan and the United States to world peace; and WHEREAS, for fifty years the cities, in partnership with each city's Sister City Association, have demonstrated the highest commitment to this founding pledge through the numerous and regular delegation visits to each other's countries from which many lasting friendships have been formed and through annual visits for the past forty-one years from Toyonaka's student contest winners, promoting communications among youth through these envoys; and WHEREAS, in demonstration of the continuing commitment to the importance of investing in these cultural exchanges, San Mateo has instituted an annual competition for two of its high school students to represent San Mateo as goodwill ambassadors to Toyonaka, with the first visit occurring from July 13 through July 26, 2013; and WHEREAS, the City of San Mateo desires to formally reaffirm its commitment to the original pledge and continue to emphasize the importance of friendship between the two cities as part of the 50th Anniversary celebration taking place in San Mateo August 15th through 17th as the City hosts thirty-three delegates from Toyonaka, including eight city officials; welcomes the 2013 English contest winners; and prepares to play the baseball goodwill games with twenty Toyonaka youth ball players; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commemorates 50 years of friendship between the City of San Mateo and its sister city, the City of Toyonaka, and recognizes this successful milestone relationship that promotes international goodwill. **Dated:** August 16, 2013 SUPERVISORS: DON HORSLEY, PRESIDENT DAVE PINE CAROLE GROOM

WARREN SLOCUM

ADRIENNE J. TISSIER

Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors