Resolution

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

Burlingame School District MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

WHEREAS, September 22, 2013 marks the Centennial Celebration of McKinley Elementary School in the Burlingame School District; and

WHEREAS, after the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake, Burlingame's population grew rapidly from 200 to 1000 in only a year and in 1911 Burlingame residents voted to establish a school district and began plans to build a permanent school; and

WHEREAS, well-known architect William H. Weeks was hired to design the school, and by September 1913 the first permanent school, located on the corner of Oak Grove and Grange (now Paloma Avenue), was ready to open its doors to the children of Burlingame; and

WHEREAS, McKinley Elementary, originally named Burlingame Grammar School, has always been a vibrant school with cookbook sales, Fathers' Club events, plays and other events, and many of these traditions are still carried out today; and

WHEREAS, currently, McKinley serves a culturally and linguistically diverse student population reflecting the richness of its community where there are 28 native languages other than English spoken by McKinley students, with Spanish being the most prevalent. McKinley Elementary places special emphasis upon creating a school environment that encourages students to explore and appreciate cultural and linguistic diversity, and is home to the Burlingame School District Spanish Immersion Program, a full bi-directional learning opportunity that enables students to become fully bi-lingual and bi-literate in English and Spanish.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commends and honors McKinley Elementary School in the Burlingame School District on its Centennial Celebration.

Dated: September 22, 2013

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