

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

South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce was organized during a meeting of citizens at City Hall in March 1913, and over the past 100 years, the Chamber offices have moved throughout the City and their activities have changed, but the focus has always been on promoting business in South San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, one of the Chamber's earliest mission statements was: "Think well of your town, speak well of your town, remember you live here. Buy here; keep your tax dollars at home."; and

WHEREAS, some of the early Chamber Committees included: Committee on Fire Alarm Systems, "Roads and Highways", "Transportation", Street Post Placement, Peddling Regulation, Post Office, the building of Skyline Boulevard and Ways and Means, among others; and

WHEREAS, the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce has been a vital partner in the growth of the city. The Chamber convinced the Board of City Trustees to install sidewalks in 1918, supported passage of a bond for the building of City Hall, the fire department and a sewer system in 1919, started night school at the local high school in 1921, and in 1923 the Chamber began to make plans to advertise South San Francisco as an industrial center by placing large white letters on the hills above the city, known as Sign Hill today; and

WHEREAS, South San Francisco's business community continues to evolve, as industries that originally contributed to the economic well-being of the town have been joined by companies focused on life science and technology, all helping South San Francisco lead the way and maintain its role as an economic engine.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commends and honors the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce on its 100 year anniversary.

Dated: February 21, 2014

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