

# RESOLUTION

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

## *Eliana Bushwalter*

*Upon Her Retirement After*

*30 Years of Service to the County of San Mateo*

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**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** was born to loving parents who nurtured her curiosity, concern for others, and an ethos of hard work, which ultimately led her to the University of California, Berkeley where she graduated with a degree in Food Nutrition and Dietetics and obtained her certification as a Registered Dietitian; and

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** joined the County of San Mateo as Chief Dietitian at what is now San Mateo Medical Center in 1986, responsible for food reaching patients of the hospital and its rehabilitation center, the staff cafeteria and Meals on Wheels, totaling 3,000 meals per day from a not-yet renovated kitchen; and

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** guided her team in rising to challenges small and large that supported healthy meals for patients and staff, utilized an ambulatory dietician team; replicating meal delivery designed for seniors to young children served by the Redwood City Child Development Program; and

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** has accepted many challenging assignments including managing the Food Services for all County food services in 1992, adding another 8,000 healthy meals for correctional facility residents, and designing the kitchen for Canyon Oaks Youth Center with our Behavioral Health and Recovery Services team;

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** became Director of Public Health Nutrition in 2004, overseeing the Women Infants and Children (WIC) program, one of our largest “front doors” to service for low-income pregnant women and young children, started “Healthy Fare at the Fair”, and contributed to the Board of Supervisors approved Blueprint to Prevent Childhood Obesity and San Mateo County’s Nutrition, Education and Obesity Prevention program; and

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** has been a relentless and passionate leader in efforts to promote a healthy County workforce, including partnering with the County Human Resources department on a wide range of employee wellness activities, including lactation spaces in County worksites, modeling health for the teams she has led and the leaders she has mentored, and shaping a culture of wellness for all of our staff; and

**WHEREAS, ELIANA BUSHWALTER** will be remembered as a statewide leader on issues of food and nutrition, and as a passionate, public service leader who “rolled up her sleeves,” was committed to community partnership, and creative in making eating and wellness fun. And, Eliana never lost sight of the customers she was serving!

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County hereby honors **ELIANA BUSHWALTER** for her dedication to the people of San Mateo County and your 30 years of outstanding public service and public health. Our Board extends their best wishes to you and your husband, Larry, as you roam our beautiful country visiting its amazing national parks, enjoying friends and family, and savoring the sweet life.

***Dated: September 20, 2016***

SUPERVISORS:

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***WARREN SLOCUM, President***

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***WARREN SLOCUM***

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***ADRIENNE J. TISSIER***

Attest:

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Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors