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

## SHIRLEY LAMARR

Women In County Government's 2012 Public Service/Community Service – The Extra Mile Award Winner

WHEREAS, SHIRLEY LAMARR is the director and has been the driving force behind the San Mateo County Maguire Correctional Facility's Choices programs for the past 19 years, providing a consistent history of producing successful participants who make better life choices, improve their lives through continued sobriety, and in turn, improve the lives of their families and communities; and

WHEREAS, SHIRLEY LAMARR directs the Choices programs through a constantly changing variety of obstacles and challenges and overcomes these on a daily basis by continuing to concentrate with razor-sharp focus on meeting the needs of the program staff and participants with strength and flexibility; and

WHEREAS, SHIRLEY LAMARR has recently opened The Centre, in Redwood City, a transitional, sober living environment that provides inmates and parolees with a safety net that fills the gap between release from custody and residential and other program availability; and

WHEREAS, at The Centre, SHIRLEY LAMARR offers women's groups, an alumni group, job search workshops and drop-in access to many tools and resources to help clients remain clean and sober; and

WHEREAS, SHIRLEY LAMARR makes herself available at all times for all of her counselors to teach and mentor and encourage the very best from them, using her unique and dynamic personality that pulls the best out of anyone in which she comes in contact; and

WHEREAS, SHIRLEY LAMARR has made serving others her life's work because she spent 20 years as an addict, was homeless and in and out of jails before entering the Delancey Street program and turning her life around, and now uses that experience to maintain a passion for helping others in need and teaching them to "give back," as she does,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby extends its congratulations and commends SHIRLEY LAMARR for being selected as the Women In County Government's 2012 Public Service/Community Service – The Extra Mile Award winner.

Dated: December 11, 2012

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