

RESOLUTION

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

JULIA BOTT

UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE SAN MATEO COUNTY PARKS FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, JULIA BOTT as a graduate of the School of Environmental Studies, Sonoma State University, has been a Bay Area environmental leader who, over many years, has devoted her career and volunteer activities to protecting our oceans, forests, creeks, parks, and our urban communities; and

WHEREAS, JULIA BOTT was hired in October of 1998 as the Executive Director of the newly-formed San Mateo County Parks Foundation and, after 17 years of dedicated service, will retire on November 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, during her years as the Executive Director, JULIA BOTT and the Foundation Board have raised millions of dollars for projects, programs, and volunteer activities that benefit parks and visitors, such as the development of the Bill and Jean Lane Education Center at Edgewood Park and Natural Preserve, Coyote Point Recreation Area improvements and the Captain’s House remodel, Fitzgerald Marine Reserve interpretation development, acquisitions of Mirada Surf East and West, along with trail improvements, butterfly releases, and habitat restorations, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, JULIA BOTT has been actively involved in the creation, planning, and logistics of the annual, non-competitive, family bicycle ride known as Tour de Peninsula, which benefits Bicycle Sunday, and goes by the slogan, “It’s not a race, it’s a ride” and embraces the motto, “no pain, no pain;” and

WHEREAS, prior to helping establish the San Mateo County Parks Foundation, JULIA BOTT was employed as the Director of the Loma Prieta Chapter, Sierra Club and as a program associate with Warner Chabot and Associates; and

WHEREAS, JULIA BOTT’s numerous volunteer roles include serving as the first woman and environmental representative on the San Mateo County Resource Conservation District board, three terms on the Sierra Club California Executive Committee (including three years as the Chair), and is, currently, Co-Chair of the San Mateo, Foster City, Burlingame, Hillsborough Leadership program Curriculum Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commends and offers its deepest gratitude to JULIA BOTT on her stellar work as a community environmental leader and wishes her the very best in the years ahead.

Dated: November 3, 2015

Supervisors:

Carole Groom, President

Dave Pine

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors