RESOLUTION

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION HONORS AND COMMENDS**

Cristina Thorson

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WHEREAS, *through working at the Redwood City Public Library, instituting many inspirational programs for families and children, and creating an outreach to the Fair Oaks community, Hoover School, and Familias Unidas,* **Cristina Thorson** *significantly impacted the lives of innumerable members of the community; and***;**

WHEREAS, *after realizing the need for outreach to parents,* **Cristina Thorson** *began holding family open houses at the Fair Oaks Library, and these open houses later became the KinderCard Campaign and SuperSaturday, reaching every kindergartner in the school district; and*

WHEREAS, **Cristina Thorson** *created the Family Author Night in the Schools program. With support from the Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation, she brought Latino authors and illustrators to schools for evening programs that included students at up to 8 different campuses and their families. Over the course of 6 years, several thousand Redwood City children and their parents got to hear authors talk -- in Spanish -- about the importance of reading and education, and hundreds of them received free copies of the authors' books; and*

WHEREAS, **Cristina Thorson** *partnered with local illustrator Elizabeth Gomez to bring art workshops to schools where there is no Art In Action, or any other art instruction. Participating students were issued library cards during these workshops so they could check out books and use the library; and*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County hereby honors* **Cristina Thorson**. *We commend your ability to empower youth through education, and to recognize the community's needs and effectively institute programs in response to those needs. Thank you for your service to the Redwood City Public Library for the past 25 years.*

Dated: October 1, 2013

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