

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

East Palo Alto Tennis and Tutoring 30th Anniversary

WHEREAS, East Palo Alto Tennis and Tutoring (EPATT) was founded in 1988 by Jeff Arons on the site of the former East Palo Alto Ravenswood High School to get local youth off the streets and onto the tennis courts and grew from a summer tennis program into a year-round academic tutoring and tennis program; and

WHEREAS, the Ravenswood City School District granted **EPATT** land on the Cesar Chavez Academy campus to build eight tennis courts – using **EPATT** funds – and provided classroom space to use after school. Today, four of the original eight tennis courts are still the only tennis courts in East Palo Alto; and

WHEREA, EPATT garnered national attention on CNN and the CBS Evening News for its innovative approach and Stanford University acknowledged **EPATT's** profound importance as a model for after-school academic programming when it granted the program a home in the newly constructed Taube Family Tennis Center; and

WHEREAS, EPATT's groundbreaking parent education component has been replicated by programs around the county and around the U.S. and its graduates have been productive "Ambassadors of Change" becoming role models to the next generation of youth and helping to make their community stronger; and

NOW, therefore be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County hereby honors and commends **East Palo Alto Tennis and Tutoring (EPATT)** on its 30th anniversary of enriching the minds, bodies and spirits of the youth it serves.

Dated: June 19, 2018

SUPERVISORS:

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