

RESOLUTION

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

Raising A Reader

Upon the 20th Anniversary

WHEREAS, RAISING A READER helps families with children from birth to age eight develop, practice and maintain home literacy habits essential for school and life success; and

WHEREAS, Raising A Reader is a proven award-winning program that helps families understand why sharing books regularly matters, excites children and families with award-winning books each week that builds the book sharing routine; and establishes connections to libraries to maintain literacy habits at home; and

WHEREAS, Raising A Reader’s mission is to engage caregivers in a routine of book sharing with their children from birth through age eight to foster healthy brain development, healthy relationships, a love of reading, and the literacy skills critical for school success; and

WHEREAS, through a network of more than 3,000 locations nationwide, Raising A Reader reaches more than 126,000 children and families each year, and since inception in 1999, has helped more than 1.7 million families build and maintain reading routines in their homes, with special attention to those at highest-risk for educational failure; and

WHEREAS, three to four high-quality multicultural books are rotated home weekly to help families create home-based literacy routines, representing 15 million in rotation nationwide,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby commends **RAISING A READER** for years of dedication and service to the residents of San Mateo County.

Dated: November 6, 2019

SUPERVISORS:

CAROLE GROOM, PRESIDENT

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Attest: Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors