

WHEREAS, Asian American Recovery Services Inc. (AARC) is a non-profit organization that has specialized in substance abuse intervention and treatment for Asian/Pacific Islander adolescents and adults for over 15 years; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of AARC's annual leadership conference is to build self-esteem and empower young Asian Pacific Islander women who have been identified in their schools or in their communities, to be engaging in "at-risk"/unhealthy behavior; and

WHEREAS, Asian American Recovery Services Inc.'s project The Place, a comprehensive and culturally specific outpatient drug treatment program, is the only program in the United States that specializes in serving Cambodian, Filipino, Vietnamese and ethnically mixed Asian adolescents; and

WHEREAS, Asian American Recovery Services Inc.'s The Place has been providing the continuum of substance abuse health care services to Asian communities throughout the Bay Area since 1985;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California does hereby honor and commend

Asian American Recovery Services Inc.

for their Seventh Annual Leadership Conference, "Sister to Sister: A Celebration of Asian/Pacific Islander Women of Tomorrow," and their dedication to serving the Asian Pacific Islander community of Santa Clara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this Seventh day of May, Two Thousand and Two by unanimous vote.