

WHEREAS, the Palo Alto Medical Foundation for healthcare, research and education is a not-for-profit health care organization, established in 1981 and has since become a pioneer in the multi-specialty group practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Palo Alto Medical Foundation is part of the Sutter Health family of not-for-profit physician organizations that share resources and expertise to advance health care quality and is one of California's top-performing, highest quality physician organizations as measured annually by the Integrated Healthcare Association; the Foundation has over 900 physicians serving more than 600,000 patients in Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties; and

WHEREAS, Palo Alto Medical Foundation's vision is to exemplify the highest possible standard in medical practice and patient care through its organizational values which encompass putting patients first, engendering mutual trust, respect, teamwork, open communication, constant improvement and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Palo Alto Medical Foundation is dedicated to community service and supports many local programs, such as RotaCare Free Clinic of Mountain View, Social Norms Program, and the Healthy Kids Program of Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Palo Alto Medical Foundation and the Santa Clara Family Health Foundation are united in their efforts to make sure all children in the county have access to health, eye, dental and mental health coverage; participants in the Healthy Kids Program have shown a reduction in repeated sick visits and increased well care visits with their pediatricians and dentists.

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

Palo Alto Medical Foundation

for its commitment as a not-for-profit organization to provide important healthcare services to the community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this Eleventh Day of August, Two Thousand Nine by unanimous vote.

Liz Kniss, President
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Donald F. Gage
Supervisor, District One

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Attest: Maria Marinos
Clerk, Board of Supervisors