

WHEREAS, the Krause Center for Innovation (KCI) at Foothill College will be celebrating its Decade of Innovation, and honoring founders Gay and Bill Krause, while also raising funds to support strategic KCI programs, particularly the KCI Teacher-in-Residence and the KCI Merit Program through the next decade and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Gay and Bill Krause created and sustain the KCI, a cutting-edge training resource for the region's K-12 teachers, which reflects their lifelong interest and commitment to education, innovation, and technology; Gay has spent her entire career in education – as a teacher, counselor, and principal in the Mountain View school system - and currently serves as the KCI's executive director, and Bill, who began his career at the Hewlett-Packard Company, served as CEO of 3Com, and founded several high-tech companies; and

WHEREAS, the combined interests of Gay and Bill Krause led to the founding of KCI to address the critical need for technology instruction for K-12 teachers, enabling them to educate the digital generation of the 21st century by learning tools and modalities to advance knowledge; from on-site classes in the state-of-the-art facility to online courses, KCI empowers teachers to become adept at using a wide range of tools and techniques to incorporate into their own curricula, collaborate and learn from others, and create a network of support that encourages creative solutions to educational challenges; and

WHEREAS, in the last decade, more than 12,000 educators from the Bay Area have taken the KCI technology back to their classrooms, impacting more than 120,000 students; the next decade of KCI programming will focus on developing K-12 teaching of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), concentrating on teacher professional development as well as disseminating the STEM teaching practices throughout the Foothill community; and

WHEREAS, the collaboration with Foothill College contributes to the overall advancement of STEM education, ensuring that Foothill students are prepared to successfully earn associate degrees and certifications, and/or transfer to universities;

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

Krause Center for Innovation

for the many contributions to education by enabling K-12 teachers to understand and use technology in the classrooms, and helping students prepare to compete educationally through enhanced learning techniques.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this Twenty Seventh Day of January, by unanimous vote.

Liz Kniss
President, Board of Supervisors

Donald F. Gage
Supervisor, District One

George Shirakawa
Supervisor, District Two

Dave Cortese
Supervisor, District Three

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Attest: Maria Marinos
Clerk, Board of Supervisors