

Proclamation

Honoring Mayor Diane Howard

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard was elected to the City Council from 1994-2009 and re-elected in November 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard also served as Mayor from 1997-1999, Vice Mayor from 1995-1997, 2007-2009 and 2017, and most recently as Mayor since 2019; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard is kind in her support of fellow council members, especially as she mentors new council members; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has been tireless in committing her time to represent the Council at community events, and her talent to improving the lives of the residents of Redwood City; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has a passion for the arts, senior advocacy and beautification; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has become the face for Redwood City's annual Coastal Clean-up; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard provided extraordinary support for the Sequoia YMCA through her annual fashion sale, which raised over a hundred thousand dollars during that 20+ year commitment; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has supported ferry service to Redwood City for over two decades; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard is enthusiastic in her response to the City's business community, which trusts her to respond to the concerns or challenges they experience; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard's triage nursing skills were also instrumental in facing issues related to the Covid-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has celebrated the rich cultural heritage of Redwood City's residents with her leadership on Redwood City International and regular attendance at events with our Sister Cities and Friendship Cities; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard is effusive in her acknowledgement of City staff's support of Council initiatives, and has consistently supported City employees with her presence at events and warm conversation; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard is responsive to all members of the community, regardless of their concern or the district in which they live; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Howard has left an undeniable and indelible mark on Redwood City for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE RESIDENTS OF REDWOOD CITY do hereby thank, commend, and honor Mayor Diane Howard for her many remarkable years of leadership as Mayor as well as her entire 12 years of outstanding service, dedication, and contributions to the Redwood City community.

Date: December 6, 2021



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Giselle Hale, Vice Mayor

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