

WHEREAS, Betty A. Howard was a woman known for her dedication to families, children, her neighborhood, her community, and her beloved family;

WHEREAS, Betty A. Howard felt that preschool children must be given the best start possible for future success in school and life, leading her to provide quality childcare with before-school and after-school programs that provided homework assistance and enrichment activities;

WHEREAS, Betty A. Howard was an active member in several community organizations, including the Cassell Neighborhood Association, the 680/East Valley Neighborhood Action Coalition (NAC), the Boys & Girls Club, and the San Juan Bautista Child Development Center;

WHEREAS, Betty A. Howard's greatest commitment was to education, and she focused much of her volunteer work with the Alum Rock Union School District, working tirelessly to ensure the youth of the Alum Rock community had much deserved opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Betty A. Howard has been posthumously voted into Black Legends Hall of Fame Silicon Valley, and awarded the Joyner-Stroughter Award, Community Service Category for her contributions, professional excellence, and dedicated service to the African American community in Silicon Valley.

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

Betty A. Howard

for her outstanding citizenship, personal sacrifice, and exemplary commitment to Silicon Valley and beyond.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on this Eleventh day of February, Two Thousand and Twenty by unanimous vote.

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