

WHEREAS, John W. Gardner was the founder of Common Cause; and

WHEREAS, John W. Gardner was known as a trailblazing advocate of democratic participation and volunteerism who became to be known as “the father of campaign finance reform”; and

WHEREAS, In 1964 John W. Gardner earned the Presidential Medal of Freedom; and

WHEREAS, John W. Gardner was a role model for many; and

WHEREAS, John W. Gardner’s final gift was to lend his name and support to the John Gardner Center for Youth at Stanford University, whose goal is to become a model for community youth development; and

WHEREAS, John W. Gardner was not only a devoted community activist, but he devoted as much, if not more time to his “beloved family”;

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

John W. Gardner

for his contributions, dedication and commitment to the people of Santa Clara County, the United States and the World. He will be gravely missed as much as he was respected and loved.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this Twenty-Sixth of March, Two Thousand and Two by unanimous vote.