

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler, a resident of Palo Alto for more than two decades, is being honored by the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce with the 2003 Tall Tree Award for the Outstanding Citizen; and

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler is deeply committed and dedicated to the Palo Alto community through her professional capacity and her diverse and exemplary volunteer services; and

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler's community service began over 20 years ago. Serving as past Presidents of the League of Women Voters, the Kiwanis Club of Palo Alto and of Greendell's Elementary School's PTA. She has also been a member of the Committee for Green Foothills, the Peninsula Conservation Center, the Palo Alto Historical Association and Palo Alto-Stanford Heritage; and

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler has been influential in local politics. Serving on the Palo Alto City Council in 1991 and 1995, Mayor in 1996 and Vice-Mayor in 1995 and 1999, as well as Chair of the Finance Committee in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler is currently involved with the Measure D Campaign, the Palo Alto Housing Corporation, Canopy-Trees for Palo Alto and the Greenmeadow Community Association; and

WHEREAS, Helene S. Wheeler is an outstanding citizen in the community and her efforts in Palo Alto raise the bar for other residents to follow;

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

HELENE S. "LANIE" WHEELER

in recognition of being honored as the Palo Alto Citizen of the Year.

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