

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District's** purpose is to purchase, permanently protect, and restore lands forming a regional open space greenbelt, preserve unspoiled wilderness, wildlife habitat, watershed, viewshed, and fragile ecosystems, and provide opportunities for low-intensity recreation and environmental education; and

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District** was created by successfully placing a voter initiative on the ballot in 1972. MROSD was created in northwestern Santa Clara County, and has since added southern San Mateo County, a small portion of Santa Cruz County, and has most recently been extended to the Pacific Ocean in San Mateo County; and

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District** is divided into seven geographic wards, each represented for a 4-year term by an elected Board member; and

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District** works to form a continuous greenbelt of permanently preserved open space by linking its lands with other public parklands; and

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District** has permanently preserved 50,000 acres of mountainous, foothill and bayland open space, creating 25 open space preserves; and

**WHEREAS, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District** is celebrating 50,000 acres *in the green* at Stevens Canyon Ranch, the century-old ranch property that marks this significant milestone in MROSD's history.

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

## **MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT**

for 33 years of preserving open space for future generations to enjoy.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED,** this Seventh Day of June, Two Thousand Five by unanimous vote.

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Liz Kniss, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

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Donald F. Gage  
Supervisor, District One

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Blanca Alvarado  
Supervisor, District Two

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Pete McHugh  
Supervisor, District Three

James Beall, Jr.  
Supervisor, District Four

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Attest: Phyllis Perez  
Clerk, Board of Supervisors