

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino has been selected as “Outstanding Citizen” by the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce in recognition of over 35 years of exceptional community and national leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino began his community service as a Stanford University student where he produced and anchored a public affairs program providing for the first-time radio access to Palo Alto Council meetings, bringing much-needed communication between local government and citizens, and moved quickly to become, at age 24, the youngest person in Palo Alto history to be elected to the City Council, served five terms, including two terms as mayor; and

**WHEREAS** Gary Fazzino improved the business environment during the 1992 recession by leading efforts to revitalize the economic base and developed an economic strategy which included streamlining building permits, attracting new industry, and improving hazardous waste management for research parks; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino has been a strong advocate of youth and education, serving as the first president of the Palo Alto Foundation for Education, playing a senior leadership role as co-chair for the highly successful Measure A Campaign, and co-chairing the Library Bond Measure D campaign; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino has contributed to Palo Alto’s environment through the private-public partnership of “Canopy,” has been instrumental in protecting creeks, secured funding for the regional transportation plans, initiated the Palo Alto Shuttle and served as Chair of the Santa Clara County Transportation Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino has been the consummate leader in community innovation by leading the fundraising campaign for the Opportunity Center for the homeless and as Palo Alto’s unofficial “city historian” helped make possible the Palo Alto History Museum; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino has been a leader in developing Silicon Valley’s technology sector, through his work as Hewlett Packard’s Vice President of Government Affairs and the visionary founding president of the Technology Network; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary Fazzino still finds time to support community organizations such as the YMCA, the Senior Coordinating Council and Urban Ministry, while remaining a steadfast supporter of his colleagues, friends, and family;

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

## **GARY FAZZINO**

for his integrity, exceptional leadership and deep commitment to the Palo Alto community.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this Tenth Day of April, Two Thousand and Seven by unanimous vote.

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Donald F. Gage, Chairperson  
Board of Supervisors

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Blanca Alvarado  
Supervisor, District Two

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Ken Yeager  
Supervisor, District Four

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Pete McHugh  
Supervisor, District Three

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Supervisor, District Five

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Attest: Phyllis A. Perez  
Clerk, Board of Supervisors