

WHEREAS, the Peninsula Stroke Association (PSA) is a non-profit organization serving the people of Santa Clara and San Mateo counties in Northern California, and is celebrating the Association's 10th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the mission of PSA is to “reduce the incidence of stroke through education and to help alleviate stroke’s devastating aftermath through programs to support survivors and caregivers”; and

WHEREAS, the PSA hosts and coordinates close to 100 post-stroke support group sessions with over 800 attendees, where people find practical information, emotional support, shared ideas, and friendship with others who have similar challenges and experiences; and

WHEREAS, the PSA reaches 18,000 annually through lectures, workshops, discussion groups, events, articles and media messages; educational materials are currently available in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Japanese, including bilingual lectures in the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, the education provided by the PSA is critically important given that a stroke is an emergency requiring medical treatment in the first **3 hours** to minimize the damage and maximize recovery; knowing and understanding the signs of a stroke will help people respond and seek quick medical attention;

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

Peninsula Stroke Association

for fifteen years of providing outstanding public education about stroke, stroke prevention, and stroke warning signs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this Twenty Third Day of September, Two Thousand Eight by unanimous vote.

Pete McHugh, Chair
Board of Supervisors

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Attest: Phyllis A. Perez
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