

RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2007, Beverly Pixley began her career with the county as a Buyer I for the County Administrative Office; and

WHEREAS, in January, 2010 Bev was promoted to Buyer II; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2011 Bev was promoted to Senior Buyer; and

WHEREAS, in September, 2016 Bev accepted the position as Purchasing Coordinator where she created a team that feels like family, works hard for each other and the organization, and carries a deep sense of pride through every interaction; and

WHEREAS, Bev has been integral in implementing many programs and policies around the County Administrative Office's mission of supporting the needs of our community, particularly through providing unparalleled service, optimal management of resources, and responsible policies and procedures and teamwork; and

WHEREAS, Bev lives the County Administrative Office's values of engaging in ethical behavior, serving the public and exceeding their expectations, promoting teamwork and collaboration and encouraging and enabling others to grow; and

WHEREAS, Bev is an active member of the California Association of Public Procurement Professionals; and

WHEREAS, Bev helped create the county's Purchasing Policy in March, 2014 to ensure that county expenditures are legally and adequately executed and tracked, to ensure accountability for the expenditure of taxpayer funds, and to ensure the methods used to procure goods and services provide the best value for the county using an open and fair process for vendors; and

WHEREAS, Bev revised the Purchasing Ordinance in June, 2020 to allow the county to be more responsive to purchase emergency goods and services during the onset of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Bev assisted in the Emergency Operations Center in 2020 to help ensure purchasing of emergency supplies and services was done efficiently and within established guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Bev revised the county's CAL-Card policy in April, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Bev helped drive software upgrades from the county's old financial system, IFAS, to OneSolution and eventually to its current system, Finance Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, Bev institutionalized regular county-wide employee training on purchasing processes, including CAL-Card and other processes; and

WHEREAS, Bev ensured that Purchasing procedures are documented and updated, and insists on cross-training employees across various functions so that her team can carry out their essential tasks no matter the challenge or disruption; and

WHEREAS, Bev created a responsive atmosphere in Purchasing, always quickly engaging with departments across the county and hundreds of vendors to

resolve issues; and

WHEREAS, Bev has an uncompromising dedication to quality and integrity, likely stemming from her mid-west roots; and

WHEREAS, Bev is a great communicator, a natural leader and a mentor; and

WHEREAS, Bev's influence on the Purchasing Team will benefit the county and community for years and years to come; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes Bev Pixley's 14 years of services and contributions to the County of Humboldt that have paved the way for the future of the purchasing operations that is sure to be ethical, efficient and service oriented. We wish her well in her new adventures and hope that she will remain a friend and partner for the years to come.

December 14, 2021

Virginia Bass, Chair