

## Proclamation of the MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

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**WHEREAS**, Andrew Taylor has served as the Senior Accountant and Finance Manager for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (Midpen) from April 2013 through May 2023;

WHEREAS, Andrew was hired to take Midpen's accounting to the next level with his level of bookkeeping and financial oversight, ensuring clean audit opinions and meeting critical requirements in managing the Measure AA General Obligation Bonds; and

WHEREAS, in his role as financial gatekeeper, Andrew often had the frustrating job of coaxing the departments in adhering to procurement, accounting, and budget standards; and

WHEREAS, Andrew has always demonstrated a keen eye and sound judgment in addressing claims and invoices for accounts payable to ensure public funds are used appropriately and in the most cost-effective manner; and

WHEREAS, Andrew has had the uncanny knack of noticing the rare and unusual or out-of-place transactions, or charges to mistaken accounts, and was always curious to investigate and follow up; and

WHEREAS, Andrew worked diligently with Human Resources as a "check & balance" for issues related to payroll, providing a good sounding board and resource to trouble-shoot issues; and

**WHEREAS**, although Andrew could be tough like a dog with a bone, he would also show compassion for those in need and experiencing personal difficulty; and

WHEREAS, Andrew was not bashful about sharing his strong opinions about all sorts of topics, leading you often to pull up a chair for an engaging and digressive conversation; and

WHEREAS, Andrew will forever be known as Midpen's most beloved Barista and wine connoisseur.

**WHEREAS**, Andrew is recognized by his peers, District staff, and the Board of Directors for his hardwork, can-do attitude, persistence, ethics, and determination; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IS BE RESOLVED,** that the Board of Directors of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District extends its appreciation of Andrew Taylor for his excellent service to the District over his 10 year tenure.

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