

**California Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region**

Resolution No. R1-2003-0111
Expressing Appreciation to

SUSAN A. WARNER

- WHEREAS,** In May 1977, Susan started her career with the Regional Water Board as a Land and Water Use Analyst with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Sacramento; and
- WHEREAS,** Susan transferred to the North Coast Region in February 1978, and was employed as an Associate Land and Water Use Analyst. Susan's talents were quickly recognized and she rapidly advanced to Senior Engineering Geologist, then to Senior Water Resource Control Engineer following her registration as a Civil Engineer in California, then to Supervising Water Resource Control Engineer in charge of the Cleanup and Special Investigations Division. In July 2001, the North Coast Regional Board appointed Susan as Executive Officer; Susan's career with the State of California spanned over 26 years, and
- WHEREAS,** Susan was instrumental in developing the Basin Plan Policy For The Control Of Discharges Of Herbicide Wastes From Silvicultural Applications in 1981 and 1984 which continues to guide the approach of the Regional Water Board for water quality protection, and
- WHEREAS,** in the late 1970s and early 1980s, Susan spent many hours in the woods throughout the North Coast Region inspecting logging operations and aerial herbicide applications, and while doing so successfully advanced many of the early water quality protection practices now used throughout the timber industry; and
- WHEREAS,** in 1993 Susan developed a policy to address underground tank cleanup issues in the North Coast Region. The policy streamlined the cleanup process to assist the affected individuals and communities, and
- WHEREAS,** in 1994 Susan developed an innovative approach to cleanup of underground water contamination along the Humboldt Bay waterfront which affords full protection to Humboldt Bay while enabling urban development, and
- WHEREAS,** Susan was instrumental in implementing an innovative plan for securing Cleanup and Abatement Account funds, enlisting the aid of the City of Santa Rosa and County of Sonoma, and the California Department of Toxic Substance Control, giving the community a voice in developing a recovery plan for their domestic water supplies and advancing the cleanup of groundwater in the McMinn Avenue Superfund Site and West College community of Santa Rosa, and
- WHEREAS,** Susan mentored many staff to become superior employees through her teaching of writing skills and water quality orientation training, and as part of a

coordinated effort for the SLIC and UGT programs for the State, Susan created and introduced an environmental database for uniformity and quality control; and

WHEREAS, Susan recognized the vast potential of students to advance the protection of public resources and recruited, trained and mentored many college students into the water quality protection field; and

WHEREAS, As a result of her integrity, knowledge, expertise, work ethics, and diligence, Susan has served as the model for all of the employees under her supervision, and

WHEREAS, On April 18 and 19, 2002, Susan Warner, Executive Officer, orchestrated the longest Board Meeting in Region One's history in Eureka, with three changes of venue, adjourned at 12 midnight on the second day, lasting a total of 24 hours, and

WHEREAS, Susan has maintained a consistent and high level of professionalism in developing and implementing water quality policies and programs. Susan has held the respect of water quality professionals in both the regulated and public communities throughout her career and in a variety of situations, and

WHEREAS, Susan was and continues to be an outspoken advocate for the mission and the integrity of the institution of the Regional Water Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

that the members of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, express their sincere appreciation to Susan Warner for her service to the people of the State of California. The Board extends best wishes to Susan in all her future endeavors.

William R. Massey, Chairman

Dina J. Moore, Vice Chairwoman

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