

Of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado In Recognition of Judge Patrick Riley Founding Member of CASA El Dorado

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WHEREAS, in 1992, inspired by a presentation provided by Judge Soukup on the CASA program, Judge Patrick Riley and Mrs. Roberta Riley reached out to the local community for support to establish a CASA program in the County of El Dorado to aid the local Dependency Court in its efforts to determine the best interest of each child in the foster care program; and,

WHEREAS, starting out in two small rooms in the basement at the Placerville Courthouse the original founding group of CASA Dorado, led by Judge Patrick Riley and comprised of Roberta Riley, Joan Thorne, Karen Bye, Michael Neal and Elmer "Whitey" Atchley, worked tirelessly to secure the initial funding and to build the program, successfully enlisting volunteers to provide individual assistance to the dependent children and families in the local foster care system; and,

WHEREAS, with initial grant funding provided by the Judicial Council and the Stuart Foundation, CASA El Dorado was able to hire part-time clerical help and obtain enough supplies and educational materials to commence their first training session for thirty-six prospective volunteers; and,

WHEREAS, two years later, with CASA El Dorado established and successfully serving the children within the foster care program on the Western Slope, a CASA Branch was established in South Lake Tahoe, resulting in the expansion of the program to effectively reach children throughout the entire County; and,

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing support and cooperative efforts of the El Dorado County Social Services programs, individual members of the local legal community, the El Dorado County Bar Association, and numerous community volunteers and supporters, the CASA El Dorado Program now provides over 150 trained volunteers to advocate for the best interests of more than 400 children each year in the County of El Dorado; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado extends its gratitude and appreciation to the original founding members of CASA El Dorado, in recognition of their vision and dedication to the establishment of a program that has provided twenty years of advocacy and services for the abused and neglected children in our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 25th day of September, 2012.

Attest:

Terri Daly

Acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:

Deputy Clerk

Chair Board of Supervisors



Of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado In Recognition of Roberta Riley Founding Member of CASA El Dorado

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