

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson serves as the 31st president of San José State University (SJSU) and is an internationally recognized Latina leader, championing student success initiatives, diversity, equity and inclusion, civic engagement, and experiential learning;

**WHEREAS**, throughout her esteemed career spanning over 30 years in higher education, President Teniente-Matson has consistently prioritized students, engaging in strategic partnerships and serving on numerous national educational governing and civic boards aimed at enhancing the student experience;

**WHEREAS**, prior to her appointment at SJSU in January 2023, President Teniente-Matson led Texas A&M University-San Antonio from 2015 to 2023, spearheading the growth of the campus into a comprehensive master's university while earning prestigious designations such as the U.S. Department of Education Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and the Seal of Excelencia;

**WHEREAS**, President Teniente-Matson is renowned for her public speaking engagements, delivering keynotes at national conferences on contemporary issues in higher education, risk management, women's leadership, and Latina/Latino leadership, and holding esteemed positions such as Commissioner to the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission and panelist to CULCON; and

**WHEREAS**, President Teniente-Matson's dedication to empowering students and fostering inclusive excellence serves as a testament to her enduring legacy, and her visionary leadership continues to uplift the communities served by San José State University.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara does hereby recognize and commend

## Dr. Cynthia Teniente-Matson

for her exemplary leadership, unwavering dedication, and profound impact on higher education, and for her exceptional service as president of San José State University.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on this Twenty-Seventh Day of February, Two Thousand and Twenty-four by unanimous vote.

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Susan Ellenberg  
President, Board of Supervisors

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Sylvia Arenas  
Supervisor, District One

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Cindy Chavez  
Supervisor, District Two

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Supervisor, District Three

Approved as to form and legality

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Tony LoPresti  
County Counsel

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S. Joseph Simitian  
Supervisor, District Five

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Attest:  
Acting Clerk, Board of  
Supervisors