

- u. Adopt Commendation for Friends of the Palo Alto Junior Museum Zoo as it receives a Tall Tree Outstanding Nonprofit Award. (Simitian) (ID# 24-5496)

WHEREAS, the City of Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo and the nonprofit Friends of the Junior Museum and Zoo are receiving the 2024 Tall Tree “Outstanding Nonprofit” Award, an award that annually honors organizations exemplifying outstanding service to the Palo Alto community;

WHEREAS, established in 1934, the City of Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo is celebrating its 90th anniversary in 2024 and is known as one of our region’s largest providers of quality standards-based science education;

WHEREAS, the nonprofit Friends of the Junior Museum and Zoo has played a key partnership role in the success of the facility, most recently providing significant funding for a project in 2021 that doubled the size of the zoo, added new classrooms, expanded zoo capacity to include more than 50 animal species, and added a two-story, wheelchair accessible treehouse that visitors can climb to get an overview of the zoo’s landscapes;

WHEREAS, the City of Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo serves approximately 184,000 children and adults annually through hands-on science exhibits and interactive animal experiences, engaging every visitor’s curiosity in science and nature while continuing to promote inclusion in its programming; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo is a community treasure.

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

***City of Palo Alto Junior Museum and Zoo
and
Friends of the Junior Museum and Zoo***

in honor of their tireless service to the community and receipt of the 2024 Tall Tree “Outstanding Nonprofit” Award.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California, on this 16th day of April, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four by unanimous vote.

Susan Ellenberg
President, Board of Supervisors

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Approved as to form and legality:

S. Joseph Simitian
Supervisor, District Five

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DATE: April 16, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: S. Joseph Simitian, Supervisor

SUBJECT: Friends of the Palo Alto Junior Museum Zoo Tall Tree Outstanding Nonprofit Award

RECOMMENDED ACTION

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Adopted: 04/16/2024