Joint Resolution No. 20-53
San Mateo County Board of Education
and
San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools
State of California

Honoring Karen Skogstrom on Her Retirement

Whereas, Karen Skogstrom joined the San Mateo County Office of Education in April 1985 as a Teacher in the Special Education Program and later worked with students in the Court and Community Schools Program, most recently serving as a Resource Teacher at multiple sites including Camp Glenwood, Camp Kemp, and Hillcrest School; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom’s students and colleagues benefitted from her calm and consistent approach and her contagious warmth and kindness, and she took on new assignments willingly, learning new strategies and finding her way into entirely new instructional practices; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom was student-centered in her approach, taking the time to get to know students as individuals while supporting their academic progress, and artfully knowing when to give space, lean and support, or push; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom was positive and upbeat, enjoyed laughing with her students, was able to see the best in her students, and reflected this positivity in her classroom with student work covering the walls; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom coordinated the Court and Community Schools Program’s Sunshine Committee, ensuring staff were recognized for important events and received support in times of need, and she was famous for generously sharing delicious baked goods such as short bread cookies; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom was Employee of the Month in June 1995 and again in July 2018, recognized for her outstanding commitment and service to the Court and Community Schools Program; and

Whereas, Ms. Skogstrom was a talented, hardworking, dedicated, and cooperative team player and collaborator who often went above and beyond expectations and will be greatly missed by her colleagues and the students and families she served;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the San Mateo County Board of Education and the San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools congratulate Karen Skogstrom on her 35 years of dedicated service to the students of San Mateo County and wish her the best in her retirement.

SAN MATEO COUNTY
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Passed and Adopted on this Second Day of September 2020

SAN MATEO COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

President