

CITY OF PALO ALTO

PROCLAMATION

Commending the Outstanding Public Service of Nancy Nagel, Karl Van Orsdol, Wendy Hediger and Julie Weiss on the City's Sustainability Team

WHEREAS, the sustainability efforts of the City of Palo Alto were formalized by the appointment of a Sustainability Team for the years 2007-2009; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Nagel, Karl Van Orsdol, Wendy Hediger and Julie Weiss, worked enthusiastically and tirelessly on many initiatives that contributed to the overall success of the Sustainability Team and to the advancement of many of the City's environmental goals; and

WHEREAS, the Team completed the Climate Protection Plan that sets citywide goals for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions within Palo Alto, and also established the Climate Protection Team to monitor emissions from City operations; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Team convened the Community Environmental Action Partnership (CEAP) with representatives from many segments of the community who are dedicated to improving community-wide collaboration on important environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, the Team established the Palo Alto Downtown Farm Shop pilot project to offer organic products to downtown employees, promote the purchase of locally grown food, and support regional farmers through a subscription program; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Team enhanced the City's Green Procurement Policies to encourage the purchase of products and services with less impact on human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Team challenged City employees to take personal actions through the promotion of the "Palo Alto Goes Green Campaign," the City's Green Team and the "Cool Commute Challenge" program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Drekmeier, Mayor of the City of Palo Alto, on behalf of the City Council, hereby gratefully records its sincere thanks and appreciation to Nancy Nagel, Karl Van Orsdol, Wendy Hediger and Julie Weiss, for their dedication and excellent contributions as members of the City's Sustainability Team.

Presented: December 14, 2009

Peter Drekmeier
Mayor