COMMENDING NORTH BAY CHILDREN'S CENTER NOVATO YOUTH CENTER MARIN HEADSTART FOR THE GARDEN OF EATIN' PROGRAM

WHEREAS, In January 2004, the First 5 Marin Children and Families Commission donated \$150,000 to the Garden of Eatin' Program to develop a community garden that would enable up to 240 children to learn about nutrition and health; and

WHEREAS, North Bay Children's Center, Novato Youth Center and Marin Headstart created the Garden of Eatin' to help children in their programs become more informed about their nutritional choices, embrace their role as caretakers of the natural environment and excel academically in a hands-on outdoor learning environment; and

WHEREAS, Garden of Eatin' was selected from nearly 900 school gardening programs nationwide to receive a 2005 Youth Garden Grant from the National Gardening Association, because of its demonstrated commitment to active and creative engagement of youth in the gardening process.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin commends North Bay Children's Center, Novato Youth Center and Marin Headstart on the occasion of their selection for the 2005 Youth Garden Grant from the National Gardening Association for the Garden of Eatin'.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held this 28th day of June 2005, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS Charles McGlashan, Susan L. Adams, Steve Kinsey,

Cynthia L. Murray, Harold C. Brown, Jr.

NOES: SUPERVISORS None

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS None