

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Bruce Kranz, Supervisor, District 5

DATE: May 27, 2008

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION – Approve a Commendation honoring Helen Wayland for her work on the Historical Organizations Committee since it began in January 2000 and for her continued volunteer work after 53+ years of service to preserve the rich history of Colfax.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Commendation honoring Helen Wayland for her work on the Historical Organizations Committee since it began in January 2000 and for her continued volunteer work after 53+ years of service to preserve the rich history of Colfax.

BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS

Helen Wayland has been a driving force in the Colfax community towards the preservation of historical information and artifacts in the Colfax area. She is one of the founding members of the Historical Organization Committee. She has volunteered her service for over 53 years on various committees and organizations focused on Colfax history. She was instrumental in the train depot restoration project and the creation of the Colfax Area Heritage Museum. Her influence and work will benefit generations to come.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

In the Matter of a Commendation honoring Helen Wayland for her work on the Historical Organizations Committee since it began in January 2000 and for her continued volunteer work to preserve the rich history of Colfax.

WHEREAS, Helen Wayland has volunteered her time and energy to the preservation of historical information and artifacts in Colfax for over 53 years; and

WHEREAS, Helen Wayland is one of the founders of the Historical Organizations Committee (HOC) and a driving force behind its inception in January 2000; and

WHEREAS, since it began, Helen has served as a representative of the Colfax Area Historical Society (CAHS) on the Historical Organization Committee; which is a standing committee of the Placer County Historical Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the Placer County Historical Advisory Board consists of seven members of which five are appointed by each of the District Supervisors for Placer County; and

WHEREAS, Helen retired from her position on the HOC in February of 2008; and

WHEREAS, Helen continues to serve as a volunteer at the Colfax Area Heritage Museum and is the current Director of the museum; and

WHEREAS, Helen has been very active in the Colfax area serving on several committees and boards including the Colfax Cemetery Board, the Placer County Museums Gift Shop Task Force and as Chair of the Sesquicentennial Celebration for Colfax in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Helen has also served on the Placer County Visitors Center Board as the Colfax Area Chamber of Commerce representative; and

WHEREAS, Helen's appreciation for the value of preserving local history has benefited thousands of citizens and visitors in the area throughout her 53+ years of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, Helen's passion for history mirrors the mission of the Placer County Museums to serve the public and to promote community involvement through heritage education programs, preservation of historic artifacts, preservation of the county's rich historic and cultural legacy, and by adding to the understanding of Placer County, its people, places and events.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, the Placer County Board of Supervisors does hereby honor Helen Wayland for her dedication, self sacrifice, passion and commitment to the citizens and visitors of Placer County through her 53+ years of volunteer work towards the preservation of Colfax history and thanks her for her service on the Historical Organization Committee.

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