



RESOLUTION

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

By the Honorable Mike McGuire, President pro Tempore of the California State Senate;
the Honorable Robert Rivas, Speaker of the Assembly;
the Honorable Jesse Arreguín, 7th Senatorial District;
and the Honorable Buffy Wicks, 14th Assembly District;
Relative to Memorializing

Jane Marie Andersen

WHEREAS, It was with immense sadness that word was received on December 28, 2024, of the passing of Jane Marie Andersen, a truly remarkable person whose character and deeds in life merit gratitude and respectful acknowledgment; and

WHEREAS, Until her death, Jane Andersen served the people of the State of California as 1 of the 14 members of the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission that was established after Californians passed the Voters First Act in 2008 to redraw the boundaries of Congressional, California State Senate, California State Assembly, and California State Board of Equalization districts to more accurately reflect the State's population; and

WHEREAS, Jane's professional and volunteer experiences led to her selection from over 22,000 citizen applicants in a process undertaken once every ten years, and she became the first Chair of the 2020 Commission, served on seven of the Commission's subcommittees, and oversaw outreach efforts in seven counties stretching from Amador to Inyo, while championing efforts to ensure fully accessible commission materials and showing unwavering dedication to the goal of fair redistricting processes and maps; and

WHEREAS, Born on September 22, 1959, at Fort Belvoir in Virginia, Jane Andersen was the fourth child of Leslie and Veronica (Kelly) Andersen, and as part of a United States Air Force family, she spent her childhood in Virginia, Alabama, and Oklahoma, and abroad in Germany and England; and

WHEREAS, Jane matriculated at the University of Notre Dame in one of the first classes to admit women, played in the University's jazz band, founded a record store while completing her undergraduate studies, and graduated in 1981 with highest honors in civil engineering, leading to a full scholarship and a Master's degree in Structural Engineering and Structural Mechanics from the University of California, Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, A registered civil and structural engineer in California beginning in 1988, Jane distinguished herself professionally in the areas of structural failure investigation and repair, earthquake damage evaluation and repair, seismic retrofit design and evaluation, new structure and building design, building code writing, peer design review, litigation preparation, and expert testimony; and


WHEREAS, Jane's trailblazing career as one of the very few women in structural engineering included professional and pro bono roles with Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.; Toft and de Nevers; the Structural Engineers Association of Northern California (SEAONC) Board of Directors; Strawbale Task Force; Step One School; Disaster Emergency Services; and Hensolt SEAONC Legacy Project; and


WHEREAS, Jane also performed countless hours of community service, including with the Berkeley Path Wanderers Association, Saint Mary Magdalen Parish, Berkeley Community Scholars, Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association, Head-Royce School in Oakland, and Solano Avenue Association's annual Solano Avenue Stroll; and

WHEREAS, Limitless in her vision and capacity to excel throughout her life, Jane Andersen will forever be remembered for her fierce and positive spirit and for her commitment to improving the quality of life for future generations, and she is survived by her adored husband, Michael Timpane; her children, Veronica, Marcus, and Peter; her sister, Lisa (Dwight Moyer); her brothers- and sisters-in-law, Paul, Sharon, Dave, and Anne; and her nieces and nephews, Christi, Graham, Jennifer, Natalie, Gabriel, Victoria, Michael, Brandon, Robbie, and Julia; now, therefore, be it

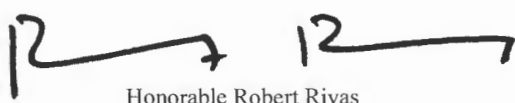
RESOLVED BY PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE MIKE MCGUIRE, SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY ROBERT RIVAS, SENATOR JESSE ARREGUÍN, AND ASSEMBLY MEMBER BUFFY WICKS, That they express their deepest regret at the passing of Jane Marie Andersen and extend heartfelt sympathy to her bereaved family.

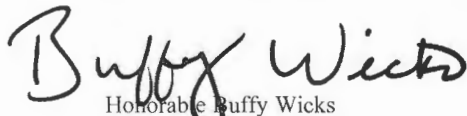
Joint Members Resolution No. 36
Dated this 12th day of February, 2025.


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Speaker of the Assembly


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