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**ALAMEDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR NAMED TO “FOREVER INFLUENTIAL”
LIST OF WOMEN LEADERS BY SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS TIMES**

Susan S. Muranishi, Alameda County Administrator, has been named to the Forever Influential Honor Roll of Exceptional Women Leaders by the San Francisco Business Times, to which she was previously named in 2013.

The Honor Roll is described by Mary Huss, Publisher of the Business Times, as a kind of “Hall of Fame” of Bay Area women leaders who previously have been honored through the publication’s annual “Most Influential Women in Bay Area Business” awards.

Muranishi was honored in the “Most Influential Women in Business” awards by the Business Times in 2011 and 2012, while the publication also named her among the “Most Influential Women in Bay Area Public Service” in 2006 and 2007.

Other Alameda County women on the “Forever Influential” list include Anne Bakar, President and CEO of Telecare Corp.; Deborah Ale Flint, Director of Aviation for the Port of Oakland; and Gilda Gonzales, former CEO of Oakland’s Unity Council.

Muranishi has been Alameda County’s Chief Administrative Officer since December 1995, leading an organization of more than 9,500 County employees with an annual budget of \$2.8 billion. An Alameda County native, she has gained a reputation for strong fiscal management that has served the County well in an era of constant strain on local government budgets.

Amid many budgetary challenges, Alameda County has been able to push forward on several major projects under Muranishi’s leadership, including the \$668 million Acute Tower Replacement Project at Oakland’s Highland Hospital, the County’s largest-ever construction project; major renewable energy projects; new libraries in Castro Valley and Dublin; the \$23 million Ashland Youth Center, and other innovative initiatives. She is also a trailblazer in the areas of finance/budget and innovation.

Scott Haggerty, President of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, said Muranishi’s leadership has been a stabilizing force as the County has struggled with the impacts of a prolonged recession and diminished financial support from the State and federal governments. “Susan was appointed Alameda County’s first female County Administrator at a time when there were fewer than five female County Administrators statewide,” Haggerty said. “She is a home-grown leader who is incredibly creative in finding ways to maximize our resources to support the residents of Alameda County.”

Said Muranishi: “I am extremely honored to be recognized along with so many outstanding women. My biggest workplace challenge is to stay focused on the long-term vision we have for Alameda County while addressing the significant challenges we face every day. While it is often a daunting task, I am inspired by our leaders, energized by our employees, and optimistic about our future.”