

ELIZABETH ORTEGA-TORO

Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Alameda Labor Council

WHEREAS, for Hispanic Heritage Month, this Board of Supervisors wishes to recognize *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* for her 20 years of service working with labor unions and community organizations to advance economic opportunities, social justice, and immigrants' rights; and

WHEREAS, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* is the Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Alameda Labor Council and is the first Latina to be elected to this position in the council's history; and

WHEREAS, During the pandemic, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* coordinated vaccination efforts and ensured that public safety and frontline healthcare workers were prioritized; and

WHEREAS, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* led the charge to secure paid sick leave and hazard pay for essential workers and has been a leader in the fight for an equitable minimum wage to support working families; and

WHEREAS, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* oversees the labor council's program that empowers union members working in a broad range of jobs across the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* served on the Alameda County Workforce Investment Board, helping job seekers develop valuable workplace skills and find employment within the community; and

WHEREAS, prior to her work at the Alameda Labor Council, *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* was the Statewide Political Director for the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Local 3299, the University of California system's largest employee union and secured the passage of critical legislation to prevent service jobs in the UC system from being contracted-out.

NOW, THEREFORE, this Board of Supervisors, County of Alameda, State of California, does hereby commend *Elizabeth Ortega-Toro* on Hispanic Heritage Month for her dedication to serving Alameda County, its workers, and communities.

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