

Marin County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING

YOUTH EFFORTS IN THE CREATION OF A SPANISH LANGUAGE VERSION OF THE FILM IRREVERSIBLE CONSEQUENCES

WHEREAS, advancements in digital technology have totally changed how young people communicate; and

WHEREAS, most teens today stay in contact through texting or social networking sites. These forms of communication at times can lead to miscommunication. Those who text tend to communicate messages they would never say directly in person; and

WHEREAS, the Jeannette Prandi Children's Center ("JPCC") has witnessed the extremes of this phenomena with young naïve girls being sexually assaulted; and

WHEREAS, the JPCC, in conjunction with the Marin County District Attorney's Office and a grant from the Milagro Foundation, created a film, Irreversible Consequences, that has been shown to over 2,500 Marin County middle and high school students, documenting the dangers of this type of communication; and

WHEREAS, the film and the program which accompanies it, were only available in English. Creators of the film recognized the importance of the film being available in a culturally relevant way to our Spanish speaking community; and

WHEREAS, the JPCC partnered with Huckleberry Youth Programs to find students to help create a Spanish language version of the film; and

WHEREAS, Mario de Leon, Brenda Lopez, Yoselin Mendez, Yanirett Ortiz, Elsa Pantoja, Angel Rios, and Uriel Salas gave up several Saturdays to rehearse and record the Spanish language version of the film.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin commend Mario de Leon, Brenda Lopez, Yoselin Mendez, Yanirett Ortiz, Elsa Pantoja, Angel Rios, and Uriel Salas for their commitment to the success of creating a Spanish language version of the film *Irreversible Consequences*.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of

