## **RESOLUTION NO. 6-2002**

Adopted January 22, 2002

RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO DARBY J. KREMERS UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

## **BASIS FOR RESOLUTION**

- 1. Darby J. Kremers, Development Services Manager for the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco ("Agency") retired from the Agency on December 28, 2001, with more than 31 years of distinguished service.
- 2. Ms. Kremers joined the Agency on November 17, 1970 as a Clerk Stenographer at the Yerba Buena Center site office and was promoted to Administrative Assistant I in February 1971. In July 1971 she was appointed to Microfilm Records Supervisor. At that time, the Agency had three project area site offices and a central office resulting in a growing need to centralize its records systems. As Microfilm Records Supervisor, Ms. Kremers established a centralized filing system for the Agency and created the Agency's Correspondence Control System which enables staff to track and locate all incoming or outgoing correspondence by the originating Agency department, the outside party or date.
- 3. Ms. Kremers was appointed and served as Mortgage Finance Counselor and then as Mortgage Finance Supervisor at the Western Addition site office between 1977 and 1981. While in these positions she managed the origination and servicing of over a hundred loans to Western Addition property owners for the purpose of rehabilitating their properties or acquiring properties rehabilitated by the Agency, using a variety of financing mechanisms and sources. As Mortgage Finance Supervisor, Ms. Kremers created the Agency's first "shared appreciation" home ownership program, and the Affordable Condominium Program, which enabled 39 low to moderate-income families to acquire rehabilitated Victorian homes at a time when mortgage interest rates exceeded 14%. This program became the model for the Agency's subsequent affordable homeownership programs.
- 4. In 1982, Ms. Kremers was reclassified to Senior Development Specialist, which duties included the marketing and disposition of Agency-owned properties. A significant accomplishment during this period was the adaptive reuse of eleven Victorian structures at Sutter and Fillmore Streets to form a mixed-use development known as Victorian Square.
- 5. In 1985, the Agency had completed construction of and was about to open its first business enterprise, South Beach Harbor, a 700-berth boat marina. Ms. Kremers was assigned to the Rincon Point-South Beach Project Area to assist the Project Manger and Harbormaster in establishing business systems and operating procedures, which would work for the business, yet be consistent with Agency practices.

- 6. Ms. Kremers was transferred to the Development Services Division where she served as a Senior Development Specialist from 1987 to 1998. In this position, she marketed Agency land, assisted in negotiating many complex development agreements and oversaw the implementation of those agreements. Among these were the first Millennium Partners/WDG Ventures project, the Sony/Metreon development, the 4-phase Oriental Warehouse/Brannan Residential Towers project, and the CB-1 Connector and Four Seasons Tower and Residences project. In addition, to facilitate the opening and initial operations of another Agency built development, Yerba Buena Gardens, Ms. Kremers assisted in negotiating the Gardens management agreement with KTB Realty, two of the non-profit operating agreements (Zeum and Child Care) and the commercial operating leases (Ice Rink/Bowling Center/Mo's, Cloud's Cafe and Starbucks).
- 7. In April 1998, Ms. Kremers was asked to serve as Acting Development Services Manager, and in January 1999 she was appointed to that position on a permanent basis. This Division has oversight responsibility for all Agency real estate closings, title matters, appraisals, surveys and subdivision map review for all properties within redevelopment project areas, property management and lease administration of all Agency properties, the offering of Agency-owned property, and negotiation and management of all mixed-use and commercial development agreements within redevelopment project areas.
- 8. Darby has performed all of her tasks with dedication and distinction in her 31 years with the Agency.

## RESOLUTION

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS RESOLVED that the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco, on behalf of its past and present Commissioners, Executive Directors and employees, in recognition of the dedication, devotion and abilities she has contributed to the City and County San Francisco and the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco, does by this Resolution, express to Darby J. Kremers, its appreciation and acknowledgement of her achievements, and wishes her the best in all her future activities and for her enjoyment of a well-earned retirement.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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