

WHEREAS Carole A. Onorato has served as Chairwoman of the State Water Resource Control Board from September 1982 to March 14, 1985; and

WHEREAS Carole A. Onorato provided strong leadership and important continuity during a difficult period in the history of the Water Board; and

WHEREAS Carole A. Onorato played a courageous role in confronting toxic issues facing the people of California and the Water Board; and

WHEREAS Carole A. Onorato displayed grace and charm in her contacts with the public, media, Legislature, interest groups and staff involved in the water regulatory program, immeasurably aiding in building the necessary public understanding for the program; and

WHEREAS Carole A. Onorato has helped fashion key decisions that will shape the California waterscape for decades to come, including tighter hazardous waste regulations, strong controls for Lake Tahoe, passage of a major bond issue, adoption of key water rights decisions, expanding ground water protections and strong enforcement of toxic control laws;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of the Water Resources Control Board express heartfelt and abiding appreciation to Carole A. Onorato for her outstanding and courageous leadership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Water Board wishes Carole happiness and contentment in her future efforts.

/s/

Kenneth W. Willis
Acting Chairman

/s/

Darlene E. Ruiz
Member

/s/

Edwin H. Finster
Member

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