State of California
State Water Resources Control Board
Resolution No. 93-90
Expressing Appreciation to

Flora Okubo

WHEREAS, Flora Okubo, who personifies the best in a State employee, is leaving State service after 40 years of dedicated hard work, many lasting friendships, days of stress and strain, and a lot of laughs; and

WHEREAS, Flora began her career in 1953 with the Division of Water Resources in the Department of Public Works, moving to the Water Rights Board upon its creation and then, in 1967, coming to the newly-formed Water Resources Control Board as a member of its first Executive Office staff; and

WHEREAS, over the past 25 years, Flora has faithfully served many of the Board's Members who, though gone from the Board, maintain their friendships with Flora; and

WHEREAS, Flora is noted for her conscientious, professional demeanor as Executive Assistant to current Board Chairman, John Caffrey, and Board Member, Jim Stubchaer; and

WHEREAS, her attention to the detail, the confidentiality, the high-pressure schedule-juggling and delicate diplomacy required in this position is unequaled ; and

WHEREAS, Flora , in her continuing effort to keep her Board Members happy, has made a full candy dish in each office a requirement of her position; and
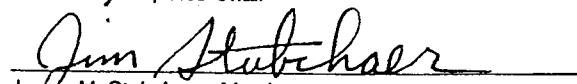
WHEREAS, Flora is counting the days until she can leave the papers, the calendars, the telephones and the computer behind and spend more time with husband, Harry, her Mom and other members of the family that is so dear to her; so

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Water Resources Control Board hereby wishes Flora Okubo the best of everything in her new career as a woman of leisure, while noting with regret that with Flora's retirement one of the first and finest members of the State Water Board staff is leaving and that the history and dedication that Flora takes with her will not easily be replaced.
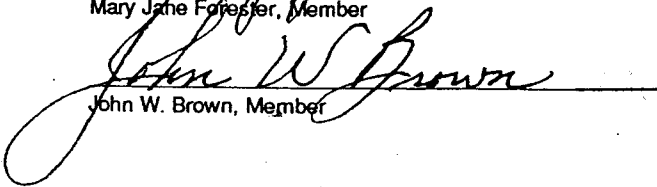
September 23, 1993

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