



WHEREAS, Roberta Atha was hired on November 1, 1993 as a Senior Clerk Typist supporting the Maintenance division of the Laguna Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, during Ms. Atha's twenty-eight-and-a-half-year career Roberta held many positions in the Water Department and City Manager's office, including Senior Administrative Assistant, Administrative Secretary, Administrative Technician and Administrative Analyst; and

WHEREAS, during Ms. Atha's career she has been involved in many teams and special projects, including facilitating two multi-year Steering Team processes, helping to develop Santa Rosa Water's new employee orientation, and was an integral part of the City's Employee Fund Drive, serving as co-chair for several years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atha is the creator and executive editor of "What's on Tap," Santa Rosa Water's treasured publication sharing information and celebrating accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atha has been the lead of Santa Rosa Water's WUHU (Water's Ultimate Hoopla Unit), emceeding our annual event that celebrates Water Department staff; and

WHEREAS, staff in the Water Department have an array of different questions and Ms. Atha has all the answers; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atha was the Water Department's liaison to the City Clerk's office for City Council items and due to her outstanding work became the Recording Secretary for the Board of Public Utilities in September 2020; and

WHEREAS, since September 2020, all BPU items are turned in on time because of Ms. Atha's strength of character to corral, cajole, and nag staff, including the Director, to meet deadlines; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atha retired on July 5, 2022, and will be enjoying maintaining her 1918 Craftsman bungalow, reading on her beautiful front porch, knitting and walking; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Atha has been a mentor, friend, support, coach, cheerleader, and so much more to many City employees during her almost three-decade career with the City and will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure to work with her.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Public Utilities of the City of Santa Rosa does hereby recognize, commend and express our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to

Roberta Atha

For her 28½ years of outstanding service to the community of Santa Rosa and
to the City of Santa Rosa.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Daniel J. Gavin III".

Daniel J. Gavin, III, Chair

July 7, 2022