FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY

Resolution of Appreciation and Commendation

Colonel Pamela L. Martis, U.S. ARMY

The Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) Board of Directors hereby resolves that:

WHEREAS, Colonel Pamela L. Martis served as Garrison Commander of the Presidio of Monterey from 2005 to 2008, distinguishing herself as an exemplary leader, and

WHEREAS, COL Martis provided continuing support of local community partnerships during her tenure here in the Southern Monterey Bay area; and

WHEREAS, as an advocate for soldiers past, present and future in this region, COL Martis fought diligently to produce housing, services and opportunities for soldiers; and

WHEREAS, COL Martis provided considerable leadership with federal offices seeking to clear the dangers of remnant ordnance and explosives at former Fort Ord and encouraged the funding and enactment of remediation programs; and

WHEREAS, COL Martis successfully continued agreements with local communities to solidify the working relationships between the military and civilian communities for public safety and related public services in this region; and

WHEREAS, the Presidio of Monterey, under COL Martis' leadership, has maintained its exemplary reputation and stature as a major contributing installation in our nation's defense; and

WHEREAS, despite her reserved backseat style, COL Martis contributed mightily to securing successful property transfers, resolving water services issues and creating the Central Coast Veterans' Cemetery at former Fort Ord; and

WHEREAS, COL Martis maintained her strong advocacy of coordination and collaboration with FORA and all regional communities, resulting in "community partnership" with the Presidio of Monterey becoming a reality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fort Ord Reuse Authority Board of Directors expresses its sincere appreciation to Colonel Pamela L. Martis and extends best wishes to her in all future endeavors, along with a resounding "HOO-AH."

Joseph P. Russell, Chair

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