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## **Eden Area ROP 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Resolutions Presented from Assembly Member Mary Hayashi and Senator Ellen Corbett**

On Thursday May 5, 2011 Eden Area ROP was presented with Resolutions from Senator Ellen Corbett and Assembly Member Mary Hayashi for 40 years of service in Career Technical Education. Representatives from Assembly Member Hayashi and Senator Corbett's office presented Dr. Irene Fujii, Superintendent, and the Eden Area ROP Governing Board, (Hermy Almonte-San Leandro Unified, Luis Reynoso-Hayward Unified, Janice Friesen-Castro Valley Unified and Isabel Polvorosa-San Lorenzo Unified), with resolutions recognizing Eden Area ROP for the dedication and work it has done with students in the Castro Valley, Hayward, San Leandro and San Lorenzo school districts.

Eden Area Regional Occupational Program (Eden Area ROP) was founded in 1971 and originally served Castro Valley, San Leandro, San Lorenzo districts. The primary purpose of the California's ROC/P was to create a career educational delivery system that would serve all students, regardless of the geographic location of their residence or their school district of attendance. In 1991 Hayward Regional Occupational Center joined with Eden Area Regional Occupational Program to serve students from all four school districts. Eden Area ROP currently serve seven high comprehensive, four continuation school, four continuation high schools, private schools, charter schools and numerous alternative schools and programs.

The resolutions recognize Eden Area Regional Occupational Program for 40 years of preparing high school and adult students for further education as well as to instill skills, workplace, attitudes and knowledge that will enable them to compete in a technology advanced and ever-changing economy. The resolutions also note that they contribution that Eden Area ROP has made to the local area is invaluable and reflect an organization devoted to the highest ideals of service to the community. Finally stating that Eden Area ROP should be commended on the celebration of its fortieth anniversary and the vital role is has played on improving the quality of life in the local community and extends best wishes for success in the future.

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