

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-XXX**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA  
RECOGNIZING SARAH MURPHY, DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE  
SHASTA COUNTY'S DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE  
AS JULY 2017 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta has adopted the Shasta County Employee Recognition Program to identify exceptional employees who deserve to be recognized and honored for their contribution to County service; and

**WHEREAS**, such recognition is given to the employee meeting the criteria of the program, namely exceptional customer service, professionalism, high ethical standards, initiative, innovation, teamwork, productivity, and service as a role model for other public employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Shasta County Employee Recognition Committee has considered all current nominations for the Shasta County Employee of the Month;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Sarah Murphy, Deputy District Attorney, of the Shasta County's District Attorney's Office is hereby named Shasta County Employee of the Month for July 2017; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Ms. Murphy has been employed as a Deputy District Attorney in Shasta County since 2010. She has shown herself to be fully capable to be entrusted with some of the most serious and sensitive cases handled by this office. Since 2012, Ms. Murphy has been assigned to prosecute child sexual and physical abuse cases. Despite the difficult and emotional nature of these crimes, she has excelled.

Crime victims are perhaps the most important participants in the criminal justice system. They can also present a special challenge to prosecutors. This is particularly true when the victims are children who have been traumatized by the horrors of physical or sexual abuse. It takes a unique person to work with these victims to the point where they are able to share their story in a courtroom full of strangers. Ms. Murphy does an exemplary job of making these victims feel comfortable and supported. She regularly meets with victims to explain to them, on a level they can understand, about the court process and testifying. Once the victims actually have to testify in court, Ms. Murphy makes every effort to minimize the trauma of being in court.

Ms. Murphy manages a heavy caseload of complex and sensitive cases and achieves positive results. She nearly always prevails at trial, and the defendants she prosecutes routinely are sentenced to lengthy prison sentences. Shasta County citizens are well-served by the aggressive work of Deputy District Attorney Murphy to insure that sexual predators are no longer able to victimize the children of our community.

Sarah Murphy is a tremendous asset as an employee. The Shasta County District Attorney's Office is fortunate to have her. She is an amazing example of an exemplary public employee.

**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 18th day of July 2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

RECUSE:

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DAVID A. KEHOE, CHAIRMAN

Board of Supervisors

County of Shasta

State of California

ATTEST:

LAWRENCE G. LEES

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

