

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-02
A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE
HONORING MARCY FEIT FOR HER SERVICE TO
THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE,
STEM CELL RESEARCH, AND CALIFORNIA PATIENTS

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit, over a career spanning more than 40 years, has been a registered nurse for critical care patients, an accomplished hospital administrator, and a successful CEO;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit joined ValleyCare Health System in 1973, where she worked as a registered nurse in the critical care unit and as the unit's head nurse;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit's management and leadership skills led to a series of promotions at ValleyCare, including Vice President of Patient Care Services and Chief Operating Officer;

WHEREAS, the board of ValleyCare, in recognition of her many talents, appointed Marcy Feit as Chief Executive Officer in 1997, a position she held until her retirement in February;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit has been active in her community, serving on a state strategic planning committee for nursing, the Medical/Auxiliary Advisory Committee for Chabot College, the Board of Directors for Hope Hospice, the Tri-Valley Business Council, and the East Bay Hospital Council;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit has been recognized on numerous occasions for her accomplishments, including by the San Francisco Business Times as one of the top 100 businesswomen in 2003 and 2004 and by the Community College League of California as its Distinguished Alumna in 2003;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit is also a devoted patient advocate, serving as an advocate for patients with diabetes and as an early supporter of Proposition 71;

WHEREAS, former Lieutenant Governor Cruz Bustamante appointed Marcy Feit to serve on the Governing Board of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine as the Patient Advocate member for Type II Diabetes in 2004, and Lieutenant Governor Gavin Newsom re-appointed her in 2012;

WHEREAS, as a founding member of CIRM's Governing Board, Marcy Feit helped to establish the policies and procedures that govern CIRM today and to guide the agency through numerous challenges, including litigation and a financial crisis that threatened CIRM's ability to pursue its mission;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit contributed her business and financial acumen to CIRM through her service as Vice Chair of the Board's Finance Subcommittee and through her counsel to the Chairman of the Board, the President, and CIRM staff;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit also contributed to the Board by serving as a member of the Grants Working Group, the Facilities Working Group, the California Stem Cell Research and Cures Finance Committee, the Communications Subcommittee, the Evaluation Subcommittee, the Biotech Loan Task Force, and the Science Subcommittee;

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit served on a Board task force to work with the California State University and Community College systems to devise the Bridges to Stem Cell Research Program, which has funded the training in stem cell research of more than 750 of the best and brightest students from the California State University and Community College systems, laying the groundwork for future scientific and technical leadership; and

WHEREAS, Marcy Feit, through her experience, commitment, knowledge, and leadership, contributed greatly to the momentum of discovery and the future therapies which will be the ultimate outcome of the dedicated work of the researchers receiving CIRM funding.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine, on behalf of the people of the State of California, wishes to express its deepest gratitude to Marcy Feit, for her service on CIRM's Governing Board and for her dedication to the advancement of stem cell research and to the mission of finding therapies and cures for patients who suffer from chronic disease and injury and for their families.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Date Approved: _____

Signed: _____

Jonathan Y. Thomas
Chairman, Governing Board
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine