CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Resolution in Memory and Recognition of

Mather Kearney

WHEREAS, the economic development community mourns the loss of Mather Kearney a respected professional, dedicated economic developer, and tireless advocate for business growth and the creation of economic opportunity, who passed away on March 17, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mather dedicated his career to advancing the field of economic development, working diligently to strengthen California's business climate, attract and retain employers, and create opportunities for communities across the state; and

WHEREAS, Mather led by example and demonstrated to all who know him to be an advocate for economic development through his service as a board member for the California Association for Local Economic Development, and

WHEREAS, Mather served with distinction in the administrations of both Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and Governor Jerry Brown, where he contributed to shaping statewide economic policy, guiding strategic initiatives to support business development, and ensuring that California remained a competitive and innovative place to establish and expand businesses; and

WHEREAS, he inspired colleagues, mentored rising professionals, and exemplified the highest standards of public service and community commitment throughout his distinguished career; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we honor and celebrate the life, achievements, and enduring impact of Mather Kearney and express our deepest gratitude for his contributions to economic development in California; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be entered into the official records as a testament to his legacy and that a copy be presented to his family as a symbol of our respect, admiration, and heartfelt condolences.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this 7th day of July, 2025.

JENNIFER MCLAIN HIRAMOTO, CHAIR
CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ATTEST:

GURBAX SAHOTA, President & CEO
CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

