

*Resolution of Commendation for  
Communications Manager, Carl Thornton  
upon his Retirement from General Services*

**WHEREAS**, Carl Thornton started his career with the County of Santa Barbara in 2005 as a Telecommunications Chief with the Communications Division of General Services.

**WHEREAS**, over the years Carl had worked and lead many exciting projects, such as upgrading the phone system to a centralized system adding 4-digit and 5-digit dialing as well as various enhancements to the system; implementing state mandated E911; being a disaster response worker at the EOC as logistics comm lead; upgrades to the Public Safety Radio Network; installing Radio, Telecom, and Satellite to the new County EOC; and upgrades to our Public Safety Radio Network.

**WHEREAS**, Carl's job knowledge, experience and leadership have contributed greatly to the overall success of the Communications Division and General Services Department.

**WHEREAS**, Carl is commended for his faithful and devoted services to the County community, especially Public Safety-First Responders and Mutual Aid Partners. Carl's gentle and pleasant demeanor will be greatly missed by his many friends and associates throughout the County.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends Carl Thornton for his 18 years of exemplary service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the employees of the General Services Department.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023 by unanimous vote of all members present.