

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION HONORING CALIFORNIA SUELLEN STEWART UPON HER RETIREMENT AFTER 31 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

WHEREAS, Suellen Stewart, as a brand new UCSB graduate with a degree in Sociology was hired by the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office as a Clerk Typist II in 1976 at a wage of \$10.15 per hour; and

WHEREAS, Suellen Stewart concurrently studied law at night at the Santa Barbara College of Law, achieving her Juris Doctorate and becoming admitted to the California Bar in 1993 while simultaneously raising a toddler with her husband Mitchell; and

WHEREAS Suellen Stewart took a leave of absence from the Sheriff's Department to work as an Extra Help attorney in the District Attorney's Office (thus elevating her pay to \$17.05 per hour!) and was ultimately hired to a full time permanent position, first with the District Attorney's Office and then with the Department of Child Support Services; and

WHEREAS Suellen Stewart has rigorously studied and applied the law to the many complex family situations she has encountered as a Child Support attorney, striving always in her over ten thousand court appearances to achieve a solution that is fair and in the best interests of the children; and

WHEREAS Suellen Stewart is a youthful, vibrant Beatles fan who, with her husband, proudly sent her only child off to college in San Francisco last fall and now winces every time she gets a call from Animal Control telling her that her two Labradors are on the loose again;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that Suellen Stewart be encouraged to enjoy retirement, with grateful acknowledgement of her superb service to Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 27th day of May, 2008 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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