

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR PATTY HUNTER, GABRIEL MEDINA, KANDI MICHAELS, EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH PROBATION DEPARTMENT - COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK PROGRAM TEAM JUNE 2009

WHEREAS, the Community Service Work (CSW) Program refers and places adult and juvenile offenders in Santa Barbara County who are ordered by the Courts or the Probation Department to complete community service work hours in lieu of fines, as a condition of probation, or as a mandated sentencing option; and

WHEREAS, offenders are assigned to 154 public and private-nonprofit agencies throughout Santa Barbara County providing a variety of supervised work opportunities for clients to complete their ordered community service work; and

WHEREAS, for 2007-2008 the CSW team referred 2,428 clients to 154 jobsites to complete 76,352 hours of CSW throughout the county with a value of \$763,520 in free labor assessed at \$10 per hour to municipalities and community based organizations; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team processed 2,428 applications, and prepared 3,165 closing reports to the Courts and Probation staff in 2007-2008; the ongoing caseload for CSW is approximately 1,278 clients; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team surveyed the 154 worksites to determine value of program to worksite, and to elicit worksite issues and concerns; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team provided free 2 hour trainings to the partner worksites in Lompoc, Santa Barbara, and Santa Maria to review program rules, provide answers to concerns from the survey and to provide support for the worksites; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team has simplified its forms and letters to clients to improve customer service and has implemented a 24/7 information line to help clients with CSW office hours, locations, fees, transfers to and from other counties, and extensions; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team has implemented a user friendly website with information for clients, forms and information for organizations on how to become a worksite; and

WHEREAS, the CSW team holds the offender accountable, promotes an opportunity for offender success, and provides restorative justice to the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognizes; Patty Hunter, Gabriel Medina, and Kandi Michaels, the Community Service Work Team, as employees of the month of June 2009

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by this Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 2nd day of June, 2009 by unanimous vote of all members present.



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