



## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 2011 AMGEN TOUR RETURNS TO SOLVANG CALFORNIA

WHEREAS, the city of Solvang was chosen for the fourth time to host the AMGEN Tour of California, the largest professional bicycling race in the United States, on May 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Solvang hosted the AMGEN Tour of California in 2007, 2008, and 2009 and drew thousands of spectators and worldwide publicity to the city of Solvang and Santa Ynez Valley; and

WHEREAS, the AMGEN tour has generated significant beneficial economic impacts to the area which has become a premier biking destination; and

WHEREAS, this year the eight day race's only individual time trial, scheduled as Stage 6, and the first ever Women's International Time Trial Challenge took place in Solvang; and

WHEREAS, the Solvang Local Organizing Committee chaired by Carol Petersen and Max Hanberg and many volunteers successfully promoted the race, securing housing for the cyclists, local sponsors for days events, and coordinating with the AMGEN organization and media; and

WHEREAS, with partnering organizations the Local Organizing Committee organized the Race of Truth for amateur cyclists, a fundraiser for Breakaway from Cancer, outreach activities in the schools including bicycle safety clinics and opportunities to meet race participants, and a Lifestyle Festival promoting health and fitness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors hereby celebrates the City of Solvang's fourth successful year of hosting the AMGEN Tour of California.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Chambra Wallar

Clerk of the Board

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