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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR SERGEANT ROSS RUTH UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, Ross Ruth will be retiring from County service on Sunday, February 21st, 2010, having faithfully served the Sheriff's Department for over 30 years, during which he served as a Sheriff's Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Ross Ruth started his career with Santa Barbara County on August 13th 1979, as a Deputy Sheriff, and ultimately achieved the rank of sergeant. During his thirty years of service he has worked in various capacities, most notably as a detective with the Department's Criminal Investigations Division, where he served to bring justice to the families of numerous crime victims; and

WHEREAS, Ross Ruth provided the citizens of Santa Barbara County extraordinary professionalism and sensitive law enforcement service while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice. During that time he received citizen commendations to numerous to mention. His Most notable awards were the Sheriff's Department's Meritorious Service Award, two Distinguished Service Awards, and three H. Thomas Guerry awards, one for valor, and two for conflict resolution. He was also recognized by his peers on three occasions, twice receiving the Supervisor of the Year award and once the Investigator of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, Ross Ruth's knowledge, skills and experience contributed greatly to the overall professionalism and the goals of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department as well as the objectives of the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends Ross Ruth for his faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates him upon his retirement, and wishes him and his wife, Ann, continued good health and many years of happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 9th day of March, 2010 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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