

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING TIM STEELE FOR HIS DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND PRESERVATION IN THE MISSION CANYON AREA

## **CALIFORNIA**

WHEREAS, Tim Steele has served on the Mission Canyon Association Board of Directors for the past decade, including the last 5 years as its president, during which time he has demonstrated great leadership in emergency preparedness and preservation of this unique community; and

WHEREAS, Tim met with neighbors in a door-to-door campaign to encourage and facilitate brush reduction that led to the removal of hundreds of tons of potential fire fuel. He also coordinated with County public safety agencies to implement the first significant neighborhood fire evacuation drill in California, all of which saved lives and property during the recent fires; and

WHEREAS, Tim spearheaded the creation of the first community fire plan in Santa Barbara County, the Community Wildfire Protection Plan for Mission Canyon, which tackles the herculean process of taming wildfires in a Wildland Urban Interface zone. The plan was finalized and accepted in 2009, and has resulted in a tool that can be modeled throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, Tim previously chaired, and continues to actively participate in the Mission Canyon Architectural Board of Review (ABR) where he reviewed plans for new projects to identify zoning and design problems prior to plan submission at the County level, thus contributing to the preservation of the quality of life and the safety and character of Mission Canyon; and

WHEREAS, Tim Steel's persistent advocacy for the good of his community and his knowledge and understanding of the issues ranging from fire preparedness to open space preservation to resolving neighborhood conflicts has had a profound impact on Mission Canyon and its residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Tim Steele for his time and efforts that continue to benefit the residents of Mission Canyon and further commends him for his tireless work to improve the safety of all residents in our community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 2nd day of February, 2010 by unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District