

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION HONORING MARIA RUANO UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Maria Ruano began working for the Public Health Department in August 1990 as a "Food Services Worker II" until April 1991 when she was promoted to "Clerk Typist II", and then promoted to Laboratory Assistant in July 1996 where she has been a valued member of the Clinical Laboratory team for over 17 years; and

WHEREAS, Maria has provided good customer service by putting patients at ease with her unique sense of humor; and

WHEREAS, Maria is especially skilled at pediatric phlebotomy and, at the request of physicians, provided special customer service, including: performing pediatric phlebotomy in the exam room for the comfort of the child and parents; and

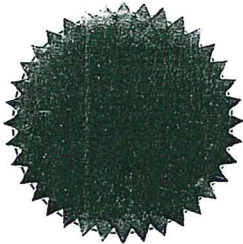
WHEREAS, Maria has been dedicated to the profession of laboratory medicine and keeps her "Certified Phlebotomy Technician I" certification current, with continuing education and competency courses from the College of American Pathologists; and

WHEREAS, Maria has shared many stories of her travels to aid impoverished countries and demonstrated her culinary skills by introducing her co-workers to Honduran, Guatemalan and Mexican dishes; and

WHEREAS, Maria cares deeply not only for the good health but also the spiritual well-being of those around her, at work and in the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes and commends Maria Ruano for her exemplary contributions to our community and extends its best wishes upon her retirement from the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 11th day of March by unanimous vote of the members present.



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ATTEST: [Signature]
Clerk of the Board