

# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION HONORING CECILIA RODRIGUEZ FOR OVER 30 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO CHILD ABUSE LISTENING MEDIATION (CALM)

WHEREAS, Cecilia Rodriguez has devoted her entire career to caring for some of the most vulnerable children and families in our community; and

WHEREAS, Cecilia has spent over 31 years working tirelessly at CALM to provide comprehensive, culturally competent mental health services to children, parents and caregivers. Her inspiring leadership has led her staff, Board Members, coworkers and countless others to advocate on behalf of thousands of abused and neglected children so they have the love, support and services they need to reach their full potential, no matter what obstacles they have faced; and

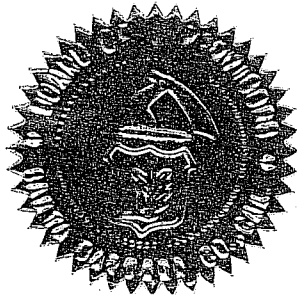
WHEREAS, as Executive Director for CALM since 2008, Cecilia initiated the process to expand CALM's services to North County which resulted in offices in Santa Maria and Lompoc while doubling the number of children and families that are served; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 CALM therapists treated 1,823 individual clients, led 106 body safety trainings that reached over 4,500 local school children and parents, received and responded to 549 referrals to the Front Porch child abuse prevention program, provided treatment to 130 mothers affected by postpartum depression, and conducted 121 forensic interviews at the request of law enforcement;

WHEREAS, throughout her career Cecilia Rodriguez has been a testament to implementing the vision of CALM, which is "a world where child abuse no longer exists" and her efforts have enabled countless children and families to recognize and prevent behaviors that could lead to abuse and also begin the healing process when abuse has occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Cecilia Rodriguez upon her retirement from Child Abuse Listening Mediation and further commends her lifelong dedication to preventing and treating child abuse throughout Santa Barbara County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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