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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR LIEUTENANT MARK VALENCIA UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, Mark Valencia will be retiring from County service on Friday, March 28, 2025, having faithfully served the Sheriff's Office for over 29 years, during which he served as a Sheriff's Deputy Sheriff, Senior Deputy, Detective, Sergeant and Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Mark Valencia started his career with Santa Barbara County on July 03, 1995, as a Sheriff's Deputy. During his twenty-nine plus years of service, he has worked in various capacities which included Patrol, Criminal Investigations Bureau, and Special Investigations Bureau where he spent several years working with the Santa Barbara Regional Narcotics Enforcement Team investigating local, state, national and international narcotics trafficking as well as the lead investigator in the Jesse James Hollywood homicide case; and

WHEREAS, Mark Valencia, throughout his career, provided the employees of the Sheriff's Office positive leadership and professionalism, and served as the first Tribal Liaison Unit's Community Resource Officer, a SET Sniper assigned to the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force, allowing him to rise steadily through the organization, attaining the rank of Lieutenant in 2022 and served; and

WHEREAS, Mark Valencia provided the citizens of Santa Barbara County extraordinary professionalism and sensitive law enforcement service while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, Mark Valencia's knowledge, skills and experience contributed greatly to the overall professionalism and the goals of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office as well as the objectives of the County.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 1st day of April, 2025 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

Shelly Stevens
Supervisor - 4th District

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Supervisor - 5th District

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Supervisor - 1st District

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Supervisor - 2nd District

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