

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR UNDERSHERIFF KENNETH R. SHEMWELL UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, Kenneth R. Shemwell will be retiring from County service on March 27, 2009, having faithfully served for a period of thirty one and one-half years, culminating as the Undersheriff with the Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, Ken Shemwell started his career as a Deputy Sheriff with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department on September 5, 1977. During his years of service he has worked in various capacities distinguishing himself throughout his many assignments. He most notably worked as a criminal investigator bringing suspects to justice and assisting victims of our community. Ken excelled in several capacities while assigned to Administrative Services positively affecting the employees of the Sheriff's Department through professional training, human resources and financial services; and

WHEREAS, Ken Shemwell proudly served as the President of the Santa Barbara County Fire Arson Investigators' Association, was a member of the Tri-Counties Investigators' Association and Co-Chair of Seconds in Command for the California State Sheriffs' Association; and

WHEREAS, Ken Shemwell provided the employees of the Sheriff's Department positive leadership and professionalism, allowing him to rise through the organization, attaining the rank of Undersheriff in which he was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the department and presented numerous budgets to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Ken Shemwell provided the citizens of Santa Barbara County professional law enforcement service while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, Undersheriff Ken Shemwell's knowledge, skills and experience contributed greatly to the overall mission and goals of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department as well as the objectives of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends Kenneth R. Shemwell for his faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates him upon his retirement, and wishes he and his wife, Dianne, many years of good health and happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 17th day of March, 2009 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor. - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District