

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Kathy Gallagher  
Director of Social Services  
**STAFF CONTACT:** Ken Jensen, Psy.D  
Deputy Director (x7312)  
**SUBJECT:** Retirement Resolution

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## **Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors: Adopt a resolution of Commendation for Precillian "Lupe" Miranda, Social Service Worker, Sr. PS/L in the Adult Services Division, Social Services Department, upon her retirement after 39 years of services to the County of Santa Barbara.

## **Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

## **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

## **Mandates and Service Levels:**

## **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

**Special Instructions:** Supervisor Rose to sponsor this resolution. Ms. Miranda will be present at the Board meeting to receive the resolution.

## **Concurrence:**

None

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION  
OF LUPE MIRANDA  
UPON HER RETIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda is retiring from the Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services after 39 years of dedicated service to the community and her employer; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda began her career with the Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services in 1966 as a typist in the Reception and Switchboard pool; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda soon became the first eligibility worker for the Department of Social Services, responsible for manually typing out and issuing Medi-Cal cards after visiting recipients in their homes where her skills as a compassionate communicator first came into evidence; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda worked in the Old Age Security Program before it became Social Security's SSI program and went on to serve as a Supervisor in the Department's Food Stamps, Medi-Cal and Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs where her calm guiding hand provided a haven for clients and colleagues alike; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda encouraged many of those under her authority to continue their education so that many of her co-workers moved on to careers in law, education, medicine and other professional fields; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda's twenty-two years as an In-Home Supportive Services Social Worker gave full reign to her skills as an advocate, communicator, lifeline, support, friend, colleague and consummate professional in which capacity she was essential in helping clients acquire housing, health care, income and other needed services to the point of actively saving the life of vulnerable clients on a number of occasions; and

**WHEREAS**, Lupe Miranda is joyfully entering a time in life she can devote to her partner, her daughters, her ten grandchildren and great-grandchild as well as to herself through her plans to travel as well as to learn new talents such as playing the piano and crocheting and new areas of expertise such as paralegal skills, financial planning and property management.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors commends Lupe Miranda for her exemplary public service and professional contributions to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and to the Department of Social Services and does hereby extend its appreciation for 39 years of service.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February 2005 by a unanimous vote of all members present.