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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
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RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AMERICORPS IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps has empowered thousands of volunteers across the U.S., including hundreds in Santa Barbara County, to address critical community needs in education, homelessness, disaster response, and public health; and

WHEREAS, AmeriCorps Home for Good members have provided vital services in the County of Santa Barbara supporting unhoused individuals, at-risk youth, and veterans through housing assistance and stability programs; and

WHEREAS, from September 2024 to April 2025, members delivered over 4,000 essential services in the county, housing 80 people and assisting 300 others in finding permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, the potential loss of AmeriCorps due to federal defunding poses a serious threat to local service efforts and community progress; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara affirms its commitment to service and supports the creation of a Santa Barbara County Service Corps led by Northern Santa Barbara County United Way to continue vital programs if federal funding is lost; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of federal support, the County supports the creation of a Santa Barbara County Service Corps led by Northern Santa Barbara County United Way to continue vital work in housing, education, disaster response, and health; provide service opportunities for youth, veterans, and those with lived experience; offer education awards of up to \$5,000 annually; and build the program through local partnerships.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors recognizes AmeriCorps National Service and expresses full support for continued investment in local service initiatives.

PASSED and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15th day of July 2025.



Maria Iniguez
Chair, Board of Supervisors

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