



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING DONALD RAMIREZ, THE LOMPOC VALLEY MAN OF THE YEAR FOR 2019

WHEREAS, Mr. Donald Ramirez is an honorable man and a stalwart patriot, endlessly giving, supporting, and honoring veterans near and far and championing their cause in the Lompoc Valley for decades, and;

WHEREAS, he has dedicated himself to the revitalization of the Lompoc Veterans Hall, holding a seat on the Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building Foundation, who is focused on bringing the building back to its former glory and having the honor of its kitchen named after he and his wife, and;

WHEREAS, he is a member of the Sons of American Legion and has held every office available for Post #125, as well as recently holding the Office of National Vice Commander of the Western Region, an incredibly prestigious position which has him overseeing 10 states and the Philippines, and;

WHEREAS, he supports the Lompoc Valley Fallen Warriors Memorial Committee, Vandenberg Air Force Base Protocol Committee, and Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee, and;

WHEREAS, he has been instrumental in helping the Rancho Purisima Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution in their revitalization projects, spending endless hours on refurbishing the Lompoc Vietnam Memorial as well as the Lompoc Museum's World War I Memorial, and;

WHEREAS, he supports the Marine Corps League Toys for Tots & Literacy Program - whether its collecting & delivering toys or entertaining children, the program always benefits from his time, and;

WHEREAS, he honors his fallen brothers and sisters of the American military by organizing annual memorials for Pearl Harbor and 9/11, while extending that courtesy to all soldiers as he supports the French Consulate in selecting worthy patriots to receive France's highest military honor, and;

WHEREAS, in recognition of his unwavering dedication to veterans, received the Above and Beyond the Call of Duty Award from the State of California for his 43 years of unquestionably selfless service in the Detachment of California;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes the extraordinary achievements and contributions of **Donald Ramirez** as the *Lompoc Valley Chamber of Commerce* honors him as **Lompoc Valley Man of the Year for 2019**.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 20th day of August 2019 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Monica Poyatos
Clerk of the Board

Bob Phillips

Supervisor - 1st District

Aggy Hart

Supervisor - 2nd District

Joan Harun

Supervisor - 3rd District

Peter Allen

Supervisor - 4th District

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Supervisor - 5th District