

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, Camillo "Mel" Wilde, a son of immigrant parents graduated from Los Angeles High School with Ephebian Honors in 1947 and from UCLA in 1951, and;

WHEREAS, Camillo Wilde just prior to his graduation from UCLA married his college sweetheart Patricia Cavett, quickly followed by his call to active duty service in the U.S. Army serving in the Korean War. Upon release from active duty Camillo joined the U.S. Army Reserves serving as a Mobilization Designee during the Cuban Missile Crises, the "Cold War", and the Vietnam War. He also served with the Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence at the Pentagon in Washington D.C. and was awarded the Meritorious Service medal. After 27 years in the Army Reserves, Camillo retired in 1977 with the rank of Colonel, and;

WHEREAS, In 1960 the Wildes moved to Lompoc and Camillo began his civilian career in Public School Administration, serving over the years as High School Assistant Principal, Junior High & High School Principal and Assistant Superintendent of School, Business and Instruction, retiring from Public Education in 1986, and;

WHEREAS, After his retirement Camillo dedicated his time for the last 24 years and counting to serving his community. He served on the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission from 1992-1996 during which time while he was Chair, the Commission helped craft the Orcutt Community Plan. Camillo served on the County's Tax Assessment Appeals Board from 1986-1992 and again from 1998-to present. During his first term on the Assessment Appeals Board, one of the major oil companies challenged their tax assessment that happened over 5 years. It took 40 days for hearings and 20 days of deliberation for the Board to render a 50 page Findings of Facts that has never been appealed to the courts and still serves as a reference for many of the ensuing oil industry reviews. Camillo also served on the Santa Barbara County Schools Committee on School District Organization and the Allen Hancock College Measure I Bond Committee, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes CAMILLO "MEL" WILDE as a true public servant; Citizen Soldier, Educator, and Community Volunteer.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

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Supervisor - 5th District