

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**Resolution Honoring Freedom 4 Youth
For Empowering Local Youth and Making
Our Communities Safer**

WHEREAS, Freedom 4 Youth is a nonprofit organization that exists to empower at-promise youth and build community through transformative education, self-realization & wellness training, mentorship, and policy advocacy for dismantling the school to prison pipeline; and

WHEREAS, With the help of hundreds of volunteers over the years, Freedom 4 Youth has served the youth of the Los Prietos Boys Camp, and other youth under the supervision of the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, since 2008; and

WHEREAS, Freedom 4 Youth provides mentorship, leadership development, and career & educational counseling to local youth. Freedom 4 Youth also provides individual transition support to help youth transition from detention to the community while identifying satisfying careers, pursuing higher education, and nurturing their families. The relationships formed with youth and their families last for years, with many youth going on to serve as volunteers for the organization; and

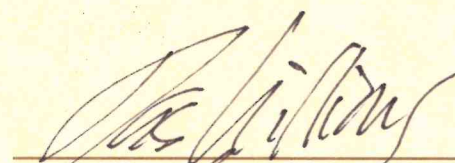
WHEREAS, Freedom 4 Youth Advocates, the organization's UCSB campus affiliate, visits and serves the youth of Los Prietos Boys Camp each and every week. These volunteer mentors have provided over 26,000 hours of service to local youth over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, Freedom 4 Youth works collaboratively with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, Workforce Development Board, and other community partners in working to empower youth, initiate criminal justice reform, and improve public safety in our County.

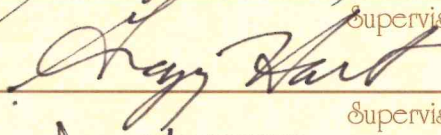
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board commends Freedom 4 Youth for its life changing work in support of youth involved with our juvenile justice system.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 2nd day of April 2019, by unanimous vote of all members present.

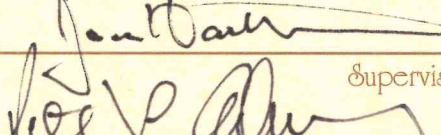




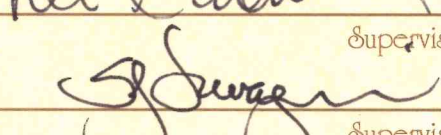
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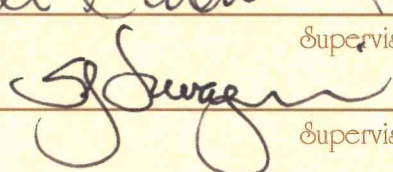
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ATTEST: 
 Clerk of the Board