

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING ARLEEN LEWIS
LOMPOC VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
WOMAN OF THE YEAR 2012

WHEREAS, Arleen Lewis was born in Queens, New York, being the third of five children and attended public schools in New York. She is a long time Lompoc resident and raised her daughter Trisha here; and,

WHEREAS, when Arleen was thirty-seven, she suffered a broken back in a horse-back riding accident. The doctors did not expect her to survive. Having a young daughter to raise, she prayed to get well, promising to dedicate her life to service to others if she was spared. Arleen did survive, and has spent her life since, keeping that promise; achieving a high level of public service; and,

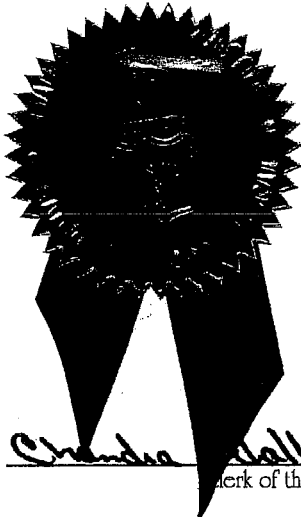
WHEREAS, Arleen is looked upon by non-profit organizations as someone who has the expertise to organize and produce successful events. She started as a volunteer with the North County Rape Crisis and Child Protection Center in 1998 and in 1999 and 2000 was named their Volunteer of the Year. Soon after, she was hired as a part-time Special Events Coordinator. She organizes and coordinates the centers two annual major fundraisers. Arleen also volunteers about 100 hours a month manning the Center's 24 hour hotline, serving as a calming voice to persons experiencing sexual assault or child abuse; and,

WHEREAS, Arleen's willingness to serve the Lompoc community is extraordinary. Besides her work with North County Rape Crisis, she is a member of the Vandenberg Village Lions Club, the Rotary Club of Lompoc Valley, serves on the Board of Valley Haven Senior Day Care, the Lompoc Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees, the Advisory Board for Catholic Charities, the Lompoc Empty Bowls Committee, the Lompoc Water Commission, the United Way of Northern Santa Barbara County, the Lompoc Business Women's Network, the committee to Restore the Olde Towne Market, volunteers at TAP-TV and is a counselor for the Every 15 Minutes event held at Lompoc High School. To mention all the things she does for these organizations would fill several pages; and,

WHEREAS, Arleen is an individual who truly represents the definition of "volunteerism". She never seeks recognition for her contributions and silently goes about her work without any fanfare. She has a tremendous dedication to the people and non-profit organizations of Lompoc and Lompoc is a better place for all because of her efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes **ARLEEN LEWIS** for all her hard work, dedication and contributions to the betterment of the Lompoc Valley and honors her as **THE LOMPOC VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WOMAN OF THE YEAR FOR 2012**.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 14th day of August, 2012 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Walker
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