TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
FOR MARK SCHLEICH
FOR HIS 35 YEARS OF SERVICE

Whereas, Mark Schleich retired as the Deputy Director of the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division of the Public Works Department in January 2019, having served the citizens of Santa Barbara County for 35 years. Mark grew up in Goleta and started his career with the County Public Works Department as a Civil Engineer I and progressed to Civil Engineer II, III, IV, Section Manager, and ultimately Deputy Director of Transportation, before being appointed to Deputy Director of Resource Recovery & Waste Management; and

Whereas, both North and South County benefited from Mark's efforts while serving as the Transportation Engineering Manager during the construction of both the Betteravia and Storke/Glen Annie interchanges; and

Whereas, since 1998, Mark has been directly involved in solid waste projects in the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division. Mark oversaw three recycling & transfer stations as well as one regional landfill that in total employ over 90 people. During Mark's tenure, the County has increased its recycling rate from 30 to over 70% and has received numerous awards for innovative solid waste management including four from the Solid Waste Association of North America. Under Mark's leadership, the Division successfully expanded the Tajiguas Landfill in 2003, and began construction on the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project in December 2018; and

Whereas, each person that worked with Mark searched for the meaning in the analogies and tangential stories that he provided during stressful times and was empowered to create innovative solutions; and

Whereas, we anticipate Mark is looking forward to enjoying quality time playing golf, fly fishing, bicycling, and volunteering in the community he loves; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends Mark Schleich upon his retirement from the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 26th day of February 2019, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

