

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR
SENIOR DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL TONI LORIEN.
UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2019, Senior Deputy County Counsel Toni Lorien retired after more than twenty-eight years of faithful and caring service to the County of Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lorien found her professional calling in the noble work of Child Welfare Services, and for two decades worked tirelessly alongside the County's dedicated CWS social workers to protect a generation of vulnerable children; and

WHEREAS, conservative estimates are that Ms. Lorien prepared for and conducted more than 1,000 Juvenile Court hearings, and filed more than 100 briefs in the California Court of Appeal, but her Minnesota modesty would prevent her from telling you that she won more than 90% of those appeals; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her regular work, Ms. Lorien has given generous amounts of her time to colleagues and clients as a calm and trusted mentor, trainer, and role model, and even now in retirement is helping to provide a smooth transition for her successor; and

WHEREAS, many institutions have a Poet Laureate, but only Santa Barbara County has a "Poet Lorien," and her forthcoming freedom in retirement promises volumes of verses, as well as travel in search of her Norwegian roots, and long-awaited free time with husband Ned, mother Patricia, and furry family members Chico and Willow;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends Toni Lorien for her faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates her upon her retirement from County service, and wishes her and her family many years of good health and happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 7th day of May, 2019, by unanimous vote of all members present.