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RESOLUTION HONORING Jon Amate UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL WELLNESS DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, Jon Amate has worked in the County of Santa Barbara Behavioral Wellness Department since 1994, having served in different capacities such as direct service provider/clinician and clinic supervisor in the Behavioral Wellness/Alcohol, Drug Program, Juvenile Justice Division both in Lompoc and Santa Maria; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career Jon has embodied a spirit of genuineness, empathy, and unfailing dedication in his role as a therapist; supporting a diverse array of clients through difficult situations, empowering them to recognize, celebrate, and enhance their strengths; and

WHEREAS, Jon Amate has been a conscientious, caring mentor and clinical supervisor to intern clinicians working towards licensure, as well as sharing his ideas and expertise with co-workers throughout his years with the Department; and

WHEREAS, with expertise and insight, he developed strong collaborations at the Department of Social Services Workforce Resource Center with Career Employer Specialists and Eligibility Workers, serving as part of a team whose purpose is to empower individuals who are experiencing barriers to employment to strive towards self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, Jon Amate is a lifelong photography enthusiast, with additional interests in politics, social justice, and evolving technology; and

WHEREAS, in his 25 years with the County, Jon has generously shared his unique sense of humor, boundless curiosity, hard earned wisdom, and knowledge of many diverse topics; he has exhibited admirable character traits: personable, diplomatic, deeply caring, and loyal, all of which have served to create pleasant, fun work environments wherever he goes,.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Jon Amate for his 25 years of dedication to mental health, alcohol and drug treatment and commends him for his commitment to ensure clients receive excellent customer service, compassion, and support,

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 17th day of March 2020 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

the Board

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