

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, Patricia M. Gabel, is retiring after 11 years of service to Santa Barbara County; and,

WHEREAS, during her tenure Pat has managed the Housing and Community Development Department's Housing Development and Grant Administration Division, with management and oversight responsibility during this time of over \$20 million dollars in federal funding for housing and community development programs intended to assist less fortunate members of our communities; and,

WHEREAS, Pat's prior professional background as a social worker in Los Angeles County, as well as Housing Developer for local non-profit organizations, provided her with the understanding and realization that the end product of her work was helping others meet their basic human needs; and,

WHEREAS, Pat has been and will always remain, a consummate professional, well-versed in her work, respected by her colleagues and associates, lauded for her creative and forward-thinking, problem-solving, negotiation and management skills; and,

WHEREAS, Pat has upheld the public trust to the greatest degree conceivable, insuring that Santa Barbara County remains in highest esteem with its local, regional, state and federal partners, and,

WHEREAS, Pat has always approached her work with caring, kindness, diligence and respect for all, as well as serving as mentor to her staff, imparting these values to them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors honors PATRICIA M. GABEL upon her retirement commending and thanking her for her years of service to Santa Barbra County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 3rd day of February, 2009, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

