

# Santa Barbara County of

## RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICER'S WEEK

**WHEREAS**, the week of May 3, 2026, through May 9, 2026, represents a period where Correctional Officers across the United States are recognized for their dedication and heroism to their local communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office Custody Branch – consisting of the South County Main Jail Operations, Northern Branch Jail Operations, Resources Bureau, Health Services Bureau, Transportation Bureau, Inmate Programs, Classification Unit and the Special Operations Response Team (SORT) – are highly regarded professionals working in conjunction with other local criminal justice and public safety entities; and

**WHEREAS**, fifty-three years ago, the Sheriff's Office and this Board identified the need to establish a rank structure for Sheriff's Correction Officers which later became Custody Deputies. This structure aims to effectively support the responsibilities of Custody Deputies who are specifically trained to address the unique needs of detention facilities. These facilities are tasked with the housing, security, and transportation of all inmates incarcerated in Santa Barbara County; and

**WHEREAS**, Custody Staff serving in a 24/7 facility encounter the challenges posed by a complex jail system, coupled with the heightened demands resulting from medical and mental health concerns. They work tirelessly to uphold order, deliver essential resources and education, and ensure security while safeguarding the care, custody, and dignity of the individuals entrusted to their supervision; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Santa Barbara County can be confident that these men and women are committed to their service. They perform their duties with professionalism and ethics, demonstrating integrity, courage, and fairness. This dedication ensures the safety of the community, their fellow officers, and incarcerated individuals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara does hereby acknowledge the week of May 3, 2026, through May 9, 2026, as "National Correctional Officer's Week." We take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the men and women of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office who have chosen a career in Corrections and dedicated their service to our community.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



*Maria Iniguez*  
ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 1st District

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