

SANTA BARBARA NEW BEGINNINGS COUNSELING CENTER CALIFORNIA

AS THE COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

2008 FIRST DISTRICT SERVICE AWARD HONOREE

WHEREAS, March is recognized as National Women's History Month, and the Commission for Women honors organizations from throughout Santa Barbara County with their Annual Service Awards in recognition of their efforts to improve the lives of women in our county; and

WHEREAS, New Beginnings is celebrated as the First District honoree based on its community outreach programs and personal counseling for those who need help and support and for providing services based on the real issues people face every day; and

WHEREAS, New Beginnings works with people of all ages who are going through life's transitions, relationship struggles, and personal challenges by helping them find direction and hope for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, New Beginnings offers a nine-month life skills training program for low-income parents and their children, homeless outreach that includes a safe parking program for people living in recreational vehicles that has become a model for communities across the country, and a youth outreach program where at-risk youth at San Marcos High School are offered group counseling; and

WHEREAS, New Beginnings provides job placement, training, and development for homeless individuals and families to assist them in the effort to become self sufficient and find permanent housing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors congratulates New Beginnings Counseling Center upon being recognized as the Commission for Women First District Service Award honoree and further commends New Beginnings for its dedication and commitment to assisting our communities most vulnerable residents.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 18th day of March, 2008 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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