



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR KATHRYN GREENE, COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCH SUPERVISOR UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Kathryn Greene retired from County Service on Sunday, October 4, 2009, having faithfully served the County of Santa Barbara for 39 years, beginning her career as a Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Dispatcher on September 3, 1970; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Greene worked in the original dispatch center at the Santa Barbara County Courthouse when it was staffed by only two persons; one to run the PBX and one to run the radio. In 1977 the Board of Supervisors approved consolidation of dispatching services of Sheriff, Fire and Emergency Medical Services at which time the Sheriff's Dispatch Center was moved to the main Sheriff's Department Calle Real Campus; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Greene was promoted in September, 1977, as one of the first "Lead Dispatchers", and later reclassified as Communications Dispatch Supervisor in February, 2000; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, Kathryn Greene was the Lead Dispatcher assigned to a task force of dispatchers who, along with Sheriff's deputies, were deployed to Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant for a period of two weeks charged with keeping the peace against demonstrators; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Greene has seen many technological advances over the course of her career, including the advent of the 911 telephone system, the use of computers to verify warrants, and the use of computers to track the movement of ambulances, fire trucks and police cars; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn Greene was chosen "Dispatcher of the Year" by her peers and supervisors in 1997 and again in 2002, and has received numerous commendations for her exemplary service, knowledge and professionalism, as well as for her calm, controlled handling of radio traffic during pursuits, bank robberies, homicides, fires, and floods. She also received many letters from citizens praising her considerate assistance on 911 calls.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors commends Kathryn Greene for her dedication, loyalty and excellence in her service to the Sheriff's Department and the County of Santa Barbara, congratulates her upon her retirement, and wishes her and her family continued good health and many years of happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 6th day of October, 2009 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District