RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR PROBATION MANAGER <u>VICTORIA DEANE ROCHESTER</u>

WHEREAS, Victoria Deane Rochester was born in Los Angeles, CA and in 1973 entered public service as a Student Probation Officer for the Marin County Probation Department. She graduated from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and obtained her California Secondary Teaching Credential in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Vicki began her career with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department in 1981 as a Deputy Probation Officer I. She was subsequently promoted in 1985 to Deputy Probation Officer Senior preparing investigation reports for the Court. She transferred to the Juvenile Division three years later, but returned to the Adult Division in 1989 when she was promoted to Deputy Probation Officer, Supervising. Her most recent assignment is that of Probation Manager responsible for oversight of the Santa Barbara region of Adult Services, a position she has held with distinction since 1989. The projects for which she is responsible are of the highest caliber; and

WHEREAS, Vicki has served the Probation Department commendably in each of her assignments and has received consistent promotions in recognition of her commitment to excellence, exemplary performance, professional demeanor, and sound judgment skills; and

WHEREAS, Vicki over the course of her career has been the subject of many letters of support and received commendations and awards including the Santa Barbara County Chief Probation Officer's Award for Excellence, the H. Thomas Guerry Award for Outstanding Overall Performance, and was recognized by the Chief Probation Officers of California for her many contribution to the field of Probation; and

WHEREAS, Vicki is a good listener who has a unique ability to cultivate and maintain collaborative relationships from the executive level to volunteers. Staff have great confidence in her leadership because of her intellect, experience, and work ethic. "Grace under pressure" best describes Vicki's style as a manager. Her attention to detail is legendary, and she methodically works through whatever hurdles are presented when given a project; and

WHEREAS, Vicki is the mother of two sons, Alan and Mark. She is excited about joining, Tom Leger, her partner in retirement. Vicki will at last have time to pursue her passion for gardening, travel, and other outdoor activities. She will be able to be "Grandma" and lavish lots of love and attention on little Brian.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognizes Victoria Deane Rochester for over 23 years of outstanding service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 23rd day of March 2004, by unanimous vote of all members present.