



## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING MICHAEL TOWBES AS A COMMUNITY ACTION COMMISSION 2009 CHAMPION

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WHEREAS, Michael Towbes has been selected as a Community Action Commission Champion for 2009 in recognition of the contribution he has made to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, Michael Towbes has lived in Santa Barbara for nearly 50 years and is known as a community leader who has served and chaired innumerable local nonprofit boards, including the Santa Barbara Foundation and Cottage Hospital, and currently serves as Chairman of the Towbes Group and Montecito Bank and Trust; and

WHEREAS, Michael Towbes is one of Santa Barbara's leading philanthropists, demonstrated by his multi-million dollar gifts to create a performing arts center in Santa Barbara and to ensure the continued presence of a full-time classical music radio station in Santa Barbara as well as his generous support to countless civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his service, Michael Towbes has received many of our community's highest honors including the Santa Barbara Foundation's Man of the Year, the initial News-Press Lifetime Achievement Award, and the UCSB Chancellor's Medal; and

WHEREAS, Michael Towbes received national recognition when he was chosen as both Santa Barbara Philanthropist of the Year and Santa Barbara Volunteer of the Year by the National Society of Fund-Raising Executives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Michael Towbes as a Community Action Commission Champion for 2009 and further commends him for a lifetime of outstanding leadership and dedicated service to our community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 21st day of April, 2009 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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