



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION HONORING AND REMEMBERING NEAL TAYLOR,
FRIEND OF CACHUMA LAKE RECREATION AREA, FOUNDER
OF THE CACHUMA LAKE NATURE CENTER, AND DEDICATED
EDUCATOR**

WHEREAS, Neal Taylor was an employee of the Santa Barbara County Parks Department from 1983 to 2001, starting his career as an Extra Help Ranger in Santa Barbara, then transferring to Cachuma Lake and

WHEREAS, Neal was the first person to hold the position of Park Naturalist charged with helping market Cachuma Lake with its natural beauty and recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, Neal founded the Cachuma Lake Nature Center in 1988 and continued to serve on the Nature Center Board following his retirement in 2001, and

WHEREAS, Neal had a passion for the sport of fishing, including the art of fly fishing, having given fly fishing lessons to four US Presidents and countless others in his many fly fishing and youth fishing classes at Cachuma Lake; and

WHEREAS, Neal was known for his ability to connect with everyone, telling his many stories and sharing the natural treasures of Cachuma Lake with children and parents alike as the founder of the Cachuma Lake Nature and Eagle cruises; and

WHEREAS, no one will ever know how Neal REALLY lost the end of his finger, as he fabricated many fantastic tales around that missing digit; and

WHEREAS, Neal had a passion and love for Cachuma Lake that was always demonstrated by his words and actions, and

WHEREAS, Neal Taylor passed away on February 15, 2011 at his home in Santa Barbara, and

WHEREAS, Neal's passing will forever leave a sense of loss to the County of Santa Barbara, Cachuma Lake, the Parks Department, the Cachuma Lake Nature Center, and those whose lives were touched by Neal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOVLED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby honor, commend, and will forever remember Neal Taylor for his passion and dedication to Cachuma Lake and offers its deepest condolences to Neal's Family and friends.

Furthermore, the Board hereby commemorates Neal Taylor's life and contributions by renaming Cachuma Lake's "Little Cachuma Bay" to "Neal Taylor Bay" as a fitting tribute to Neal and his legacy to Cachuma Lake.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 5th day of April 2011, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Walter
Clerk of the Board

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