

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR PATRICIA 'PAT' DAVIS-ORR, DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER SUPERVISOR FOR 27 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS AND COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, prior to joining the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, Pat Davis-Orr was employed as an English Teacher and Counselor for Upward Bound at Johnson State College in Vermont and as an English Teacher at Colchester High School in Vermont where she taught advanced and remedial English and American Literature. Seeking warmer winters Pat first moved to Mayer, Arizona where she taught English and Equitation at Orme School; and

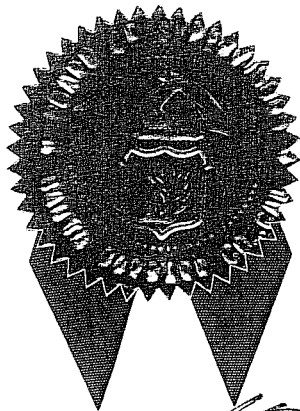
WHEREAS, upon making her way to Santa Barbara County, Pat began her career with the Probation Department in June, 1981 as a Deputy Probation Officer and was assigned to the Santa Barbara Juvenile Unit. Pat's first assignments included Intake and Investigations, and Field Supervision. Pat quickly promoted to Deputy Probation Officer II and continued her work in the Juvenile Division honing her skills in case management, counseling juveniles and their families, preparing reports for the court, as well as making presentations at local schools. Pat transferred in 1987 to the Adult Investigations Unit, where her insight, attention to detail, and ability to work under pressure served her well. In 1988, Pat took over as Court Investigator for conservatorship cases and other civil investigations. In this capacity she was recognized and commended by the Court. Judge Stevens wrote of her, "I consider Pat's work to be outstanding. As I think of ways to describe Pat's performance, words like intelligent, hardworking, well-organized, resourceful, diligent, sensible, happy, and pleasant come to mind." In April 1989, Pat promoted to Deputy Probation Officer, Senior assigned as Adult Intake Officer for the Medium/Minimum Supervision Unit. Pat returned to the Adult Investigations Unit in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Pat promoted to Deputy Probation Officer, Supervising in September 1998, and was assigned the Santa Barbara Juvenile Special Programs Unit with responsibility for Juvenile Placements, the Villa Esperanza Counseling and Education Center, Gang, and MISC caseloads, as well as Aftercare services for Camp graduates and minors returning from placement to south county communities. In 2002, Pat returned to Adult Investigations, where she has distinguished herself in the leadership of a relentlessly fast paced Unit, demonstrating her skills as a competent, productive, and respected Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Pat will now have more time to devote to her home and to her family, which includes husband Dana, son Dru, and daughter Avery. The Department will miss Pat's dedicated professionalism, technical expertise, and common sense. Pat has been a positive and thoughtful influence and mentor to those who have had the good fortune to work along side of her; and she has supported, guided, and held accountable numerous probationers and enhanced community safety during the course of her notable career in public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognize Pat Davis-Orr for 27 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and to the Probation Department, and wish her a happy, prosperous, and adventurous retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 17th day of June 2008, by the 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