

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CARPINTERIA UPON ITS 60TH ANNIVERSARY

CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, First Baptist Church, Carpinteria is celebrating 60 years of ministry to the community of the Carpinteria Valley and is guided by Pastor Joe Epley and his wife, Jeanie, who continue to use their boundless energy to help fulfill the spiritual needs within the community of Carpinteria; and

WHEREAS, the First Baptist Church had its beginning as a Vacation Bible School Mission at the Women's Club on July 6, 1952; and

WHEREAS, after property was purchased at 648 Maple Avenue, the historic Hale's house, garage, and barn were purchased from the Highway Department and placed on the lot and the first services were held on May 17, 1953; and

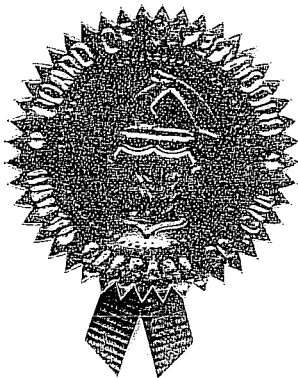
WHEREAS, in September of 1953, the church bought two acres at the corner of Linden Avenue and Foothill Road and in 1960 broke ground on construction of a new building and held the dedication service on January 15, 1961. That same year, the church bought one more acre adjacent to the church to build a parsonage which was ultimately constructed in 1966; and

WHEREAS, in the early 1970's the portion of the church property that included the parsonage and garage was sold in order to build a sanctuary. Ground was broken for the new sanctuary (a 2,000 square foot facility including a new baptistery, two offices, additional classrooms, two restrooms, and a seating capacity for 275) in the fall of 1973 and was completed and dedicated in 1977; and

WHEREAS, during the next 60 years, the church continued to grow and additional enhancements were added, including a Pastor's study, classrooms, annexation to the City and Sanitary District, installation of church bell, and a youth ministry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends the First Baptist Church, Carpinteria upon its 60th anniversary celebration.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 14th day of May, 2013, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Chandra Walker

Clerk of the Board

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