

# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION HONORING TONA WAKEFIELD FOR HER SERVICE TO SANTABARBARA COUNTY

*WHEREAS, Tona Wakefield works to help mentally ill and homeless inmates find suitable treatment and housing tailored to their specific needs upon release in her role as the Santa Barbara County Jail Discharge Planner; and*

*WHEREAS, Tona Wakefield previously worked as a Family Advocate for the Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara County, served on the Advisory Board on Drug and Alcohol Problems, and is a member of the Criminal Justice Task Force and Restorative Court; and*

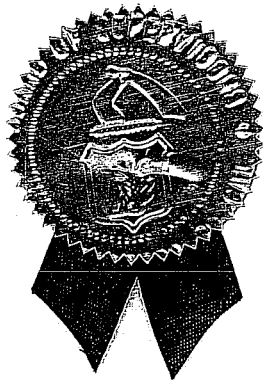
*WHEREAS, Tona Wakefield brings compassion, a positive outlook, an exceptional work ethic, and patience to her job which helps build bridges, gain trust and create hope where none existed before; and*

*WHEREAS, Tona Wakefield was hired in 2009 to help transition homeless inmates struggling with addiction and health issues from the stability of the jail setting to a safe place where they can continue their treatment and recovery process; and*

*WHEREAS, Tona Wakefield was recently honored as a 2013 Community Champion Word to Deeds Paradigm Award by the Forensic Mental Health Association and the California State Association of Counties.*

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors honors and commends Tona Wakefield for improving the lives of so many people and her many valuable contributions to our community.

*Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 5th day of March, 2013 by a unanimous vote of all members present.*



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