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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN B. ROMO UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE

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WHEREAS, as President from 2002 to 2008, John B. Romo has provided strong leadership and strategic vision for Santa Barbara City College's three-campus system and more than 90 satellite locations. As both an educator and administrator for nearly 30 years, John B. Romo has been instrumental in the growth of academic programs and student services at Santa Barbara City College to enable student success; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, John B. Romo has been a student advocate, including those underrepresented, and has touched the lives of thousands of graduates of Santa Barbara City College seeking their future dreams through higher education. He has embraced the philosophy of lifelong learning through the continued growth and support of the Santa Barbara City College Continuing Education Division, consistently considered one of the premiere programs of its kind in the country; and

WHEREAS, John B. Romo has reached out to create successful partnerships in the community through his leadership and support for innovative programs on campus. John B. Romo has facilitated the growing role of digital arts technology in our lives and the need for trained professionals through the planned construction of the new Santa Barbara City College School of Media Arts; and

WHEREAS, as President and Administrator, John B. Romo has consistently represented and advocated for the best interests of Santa Barbara City College and its students at the statewide level. He has provided statewide leadership to all community colleges in California by his governing roles with the Community College League of California; and

WHEREAS, John B. Romo has generously given back to the community by volunteering his expertise and time to national, state and local nonprofit and educational organizations seeking to increase opportunities and the quality of life for their constituents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors recognize and congratulate John B. Romo for his nearly 30 years of service to the Santa Barbara City College District and to the Santa Barbara community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 22nd day of April 2008 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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