



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SMOOTH FOR 40 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

WHEREAS, the first meeting of the Community Services of Santa Maria Valley – Senior Citizen's Transportation Committee was held on May 15th, 1974, and was attended by leaders from fifteen community groups; and

WHEREAS, the name Santa Maria Organization of Transportation Helpers (SMOOTH), suggested by Judge Jon Gudmunds, was approved by the group on August 22, 1974; and

WHEREAS, SMOOTH's first contract with the County of Santa Barbara was in 1977 to provide transportation services for elderly residents in unincorporated areas surrounding Santa Maria City; and

WHEREAS, SMOOTH also operated contracts for the County in 1979 and 1980 assisting consumers of the CETA employment program and providing on-the-job transportation for recipients of AFDC support; and

WHEREAS, SMOOTH entered into a contract in 1984 with the County providing curb-to-curb transportation for residents of Santa Maria and the north-county region to medical appointments in the Santa Barbara area; and

WHEREAS, that contract now in its 30th year, and administered by the County Public Health Department, continues to provide access to medical care not available in the north county. In 2012 and 2013 the Medical Shuttle van provided 1,811 passenger trips, covering 29,676 travel miles, in many cases, to life-sustaining appointments; and

WHEREAS, SMOOTH was designated by the County in 1999 as the Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA) for the Santa Maria Valley and has subsequently provided over 678,500 passenger trips to seniors, the disabled, and recipients of social services in the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara commends and congratulates the Santa Maria Organization of Transportation Helpers—SMOOTH—on its 40 years of COMMUNITY SERVICE in Santa Barbara County and encourages all residents to join us in celebrating SMOOTH's positive contributions to our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 22nd day of April 2014, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Monique Soto
Clerk of the Board

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