

Y OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION HONORING CALIFORNIA

DOG ADOPTION AND WELFARE GROUP FOR 15 YEARS OF SERVICE IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, Dog Adoption and Welfare Group (DAWG) volunteers have worked tirelessly for 15 years to provide shelter, medical care and adoption counseling for Santa Barbara County's lost and abandoned dogs; and

WHEREAS, DAWG has focused community attention on the welfare of dogs impounded in Santa Barbara County shelters, has worked with County volunteers and staff to help raise the standard of care and concern for these dogs countywide and provides alternatives for a no-kill future for these animals; and

WHEREAS, DAWG has worked with other rescue groups, including breed rescues, and other members of the community to help reduce the number of dogs turned into shelters, and has served as a resource to the community for dog and dog welfare-related issues; and

WHEREAS, DAWG has built and maintains adoption kennels and a well-equipped veterinary clinic which contributes substantially to reduced euthanasia rates by sheltering dogs from the county facilities in Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria; and

WHEREAS, DAWG provides free spay/neuter care for pit bulls and pit bull mixes in order to reduce the overpopulation of a breed that is largely misunderstood and often mistreated and accounts for over 30% of dogs impounded in the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends Dog Adoption and Welfare Group for their 15 years of dedicated service and commitment to improving the welfare and humane treatment of dogs throughout Santa Barbara County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7th day of November, 2006 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 5th District