



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NAT FAST AS LEADERSHIP IN THE ARTS AWARD RECIPIENT FOR SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission presents an annual award to honor and recognize individuals or organizations that have made a significant impact on the arts and culture of our region through innovative thinking and exemplary commitment to promoting, sustaining, and advancing our quality of life through the Arts; and

WHEREAS, Nat Fast has a B.A. and an M.A. in Art from San Jose State University and has been active in the art and educational activities of the Central Coast since moving to Santa Maria in 1955. Nat has traveled worldwide teaching, learning and creating art for the enrichment of all; and

WHEREAS, Nat has served as a Santa Barbara County Arts Commissioner, Director of the Santa Maria Arts Council (including 6 terms as President); Trustee of the Santa Maria Arts Council Trust Fund; Senior Docent and Secretary to the Board of Directors at the Santa Maria Museum of Art Center; Juror to numerous art shows by local guilds, associations, and the Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo County Fairs and member of the Orcutt Union School District Art Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, Nat's current works are in watercolor, graphite and felt pen media, he has also experimented with oils, acrylics, serigraphy, woodblock printing, and conté crayon blended with acrylic medium; and

WHEREAS, Nat has received among many awards: the Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Volunteer of the Month (twice recognized); Rotary Foundation's Paul Harris Fellow Award; U.S. Congressional Recognition in 2003; California Parks and Recreation Society Award of Excellence for Autumn Arts/Grapes and Grains Poster; Santa Maria Recreation and Parks Commission Certificate of Achievement and Meritorious Community Service Award; Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year; and PCPA Associate Artist Award; and

WHEREAS, Nat continues to paint extensively, both for pleasure and commission work, and maintains a studio at Stinn Jewelry in Santa Maria. He also sketches PCPA performances for Theatre fundraisers and teaches Community Education courses at Allan Hancock College.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, recognize Nat Fast as "Leadership in the Arts Award" recipient here in Santa Barbara County. Passed and adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 2007.



ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

*L. J. Lopez*  
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Supervisor - 1st District

*Paul Woy*  
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Supervisor - 2nd District

*Brooks Firestone*  
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Supervisor - 3rd District

*Joni Gray*  
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Supervisor - 4th District

*J. J. [Signature]*  
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Supervisor - 5th District