

**RESOLUTION HONORING DIANNE BLACK
FOR HER SERVICE TO SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Dianne began her distinguished public service career with Santa Barbara County in 1984 as an intern, and worked her way up the ranks in the Planning and Development Department (P&D) as a planner, supervising planner, Deputy Director of the Energy Division, Assistant Director (in its several iterations), and Director, all while providing exemplary public service to the residents of Santa Barbara County for 35 years; and

WHEREAS, Dianne professionally managed the adoption of numerous amendments and additions to the Santa Barbara County Comprehensive Plan, the Land Use & Development Code and Coastal Zoning Ordinance, the processing of complex and controversial development projects, process improvement efforts, and multiple community emergency responses; and

WHEREAS, Dianne has been a key player in coastal planning, acting as a liaison with state Coastal Commission staff for County initiatives, and as a leader on the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council whereby she received their Legacy Award for 19 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Dianne is an expert in Santa Barbara County oil and gas development and was requested to provide congressional testimony regarding the permitting of pipelines, specifically automatic shut off systems following the Refugio Oil spill on May 19, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dianne's absolute sense of rule and order required that clutter in P&D conference rooms was avoided at all cost (except by new staff who were unaware of Dianne's obsession that all chairs must be matching and the room be neat and clean); and

WHEREAS, Dianne served as the Planning Commission Secretary for the County Planning Commission and the Montecito Planning Commission for 11 years and her ability to maintain a level and calm demeanor during controversial public hearings was appreciated by the Commissioners and staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Dianne Black for her 35 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 19th day of March 2019 by a unanimous vote of all members present.