

RESOLUTION HONORING
GIRLS INC. OF GREATER SANTA BARBARA & BARBARA BEN-HORIN
AS THE FIRST DISTRICT
COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, Barbara Ben-Horin has enjoyed a strong, smart, and bold career as the CEO of Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara, her professional commitment to communication intersects with her passion for advocacy and social justice. Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara is the local affiliate of a national organization whose vision is empowered girls in an equitable society. In 2019, Girls Inc. served 1287 girls in the cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta.

WHEREAS, for 62 years, Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara has provided thousands of girls in our community with the tools and resources they need to grow up healthy, educated and independent. Girls learn how to speak up for themselves and for others, and how to navigate—and break through—limiting social, economic, and gender biases and stereotypes. Annually girls participate in She Votes, a program that educates girls about civic engagement, the political process, and representation in government. Through She Votes, girls research candidates, hold mock debates, meet with elected officials, visit polling places, and even help register voters.

WHEREAS, at Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara girls enjoy the benefits of mentoring relationships in a safe and nurturing environment. Girls take part in developmentally appropriate classes that include STEM, literacy, sports, coding, career exploration and performing arts. Girls are encouraged to take risks and step outsider their comfort zones.

WHEREAS, to include the community, Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara has developed relationships with CALM, MOXI, UCSB, SBCC Channel Keepers and a variety of companies, and student volunteers working together with the common goal of supporting girls, our leaders of today and tomorrow; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares Girls Inc. Of Greater Santa Barbara and Barbara Ben-Horin, as the First District Commission for Women Service Award Recipient.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020, by the unanimous vote of all members present.

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RESOLUTION HONORING
QUIENNA BROADNAX
AS THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT
COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, QUIENNA BROADNAX founded Santa Barbara Young Black Professionals in 2016 to create and foster positive relationships which empower young Black professionals in the Santa Barbara area by creating and participating in opportunities for professional development, social enrichment and community service; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara Young Black Professionals (SBYBP), thanks to Ms. Broadnax, is plugged into so many activities and offerings in our community, helping to get our Black population more involved and engaged; and

WHEREAS, SBYBP has hosted, moderated and been involved with musical events at the Lobero Theatre, cultural events at the SB Public Library, clean-up efforts at Arroyo Burro Beach, health connections at Foodbank SB, art receptions and numerous UCSB events that foster community service and participation, thanks to Ms. Broadnax

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares Quienna Broadnax, as the Second district commission for women service award recipient.

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RESOLUTION HONORING VIVIANA MARSANO AS THE THIRD DISTRICT COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, Viviana Marsano has devoted her service to bettering the lives of residents of Isla Vista and students of the University of California Santa Barbara through her work with the Office of Student Life,

WHEREAS, Viviana Marsano spearheads the GIVE Isla Vista program which promotes a reduction of waste, allows the reuse of items and recycling, while also giving the opportunity to other residents to have access to affordable used items and ultimately generating funds for projects in the community to enhance the quality of life of Isla Vista residents; and

WHEREAS, Viviana Marsano, also dedicates her efforts to engage the community civically by overseeing the non-partisan voter registration drive every year; and

WHEREAS, Viviana Marsano, this year has stepped up to coordinate the Census for the Isla Vista and University of California Santa Barbara communities; and

WHEREAS, Viviana Marsano demonstrates her dedication to serving those in her community, outside of the scope of her work, by providing translation in several community events.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares Viviana Marsano, as the Third district commission for women service award recipient.

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RESOLUTION HONORING DR. NOHEMY ORNELAS AS THE FOURTH DISTRICT COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, Dr. Nohemy Ornelas, grew up in Lompoc and attended local schools including Allan Hancock College, University of California, Santa Barbara, California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo and California State University, Fresno; and

WHEREAS, since 2014, Nohemy has served as the Associate Superintendent/Vice President of Student Services at Allan Hancock College; and

WHEREAS, Nohemy campaigns for Student Services on a daily basis by overseeing various support services, programs, and departments at Allan Hancock College as well as managing State and Federal grants; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Nohemy was instrumental in her participation as a core panel member at the "Women Speak Up" sessions held by the Santa Barbara County Commission for Women in various county locations; and

WHEREAS, Nohemy advocates for widening the doors to college and creating pathways to success by continuing to be a positive role model, leading by example and working for better integration within our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County declares Dr. Nohemy Ornelas as the Fourth District Commission for Women Service Award Recipient.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 25th day of August 2020, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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RESOLUTION HONORING
OPERATION WEBS AND SANDY BLAIR
AS THE FIFTH DISTRICT
COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, Sandy Blair, Founder and CEO of Operation WEBS (Women Empowered Build Strong), served 12 years on active duty in the United States Air Force, then 4 years as a Peace Officer, and she has now created another avenue to further serve her community.

WHEREAS, women veterans are three times more likely to be homeless than their male counterparts and after being discharged, Sandy Blair experienced homelessness herself and was repeatedly told by civilian employers that she was "overqualified" for many jobs, including the same jobs she held in the military.

WHEREAS, now she is providing sustainable housing solutions to those facing homelessness. Operation WEBS mission is to create safe and affordable, high quality housing solutions for women veterans through immediate housing placement while creating a long-term farming tiny house on wheels community where women veterans will be encouraged to rebuild their lives through empowerment, camaraderie, and community support away from the distractions of day to day life.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares Operation WEBS and Sandy Blair, as the Fifth District Commission for Women Service Award Recipient.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020, by the unanimous vote of all members present.

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