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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CLERK OF THE SOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

## RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR WILLIE SONNY HARDMAN

## **CALIFORNIA**

WHEREAS, Willie Sonny Hardman began his employment with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department on February 7, 1977 after attending Los Angeles City College and the University of California at Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, Willie was one of the first staff selected at the Santa Maria Juvenile Hall when it opened in March of 1977, and has served our department with distinction as a Group Counselor I and II, Senior Group Counselor, and as a Supervising Juvenile Institutions Officer at the Santa Maria Juvenile Hall; and

WHEREAS, as a trainer for the Santa Maria Juvenile Hall, Willie has helped to shape the future of the department by training some of its present and future leaders; and

WHEREAS, Willie has an excellent attendance record and stays with a task until it is completed. He is admired and respected by all staff; and

WHEREAS, Willie always projects a positive "can do" demeanor. His infectious laugh is legendary and has defused many tense situations; and

WHEREAS, Willie is often described as a peacemaker. He has counseled thousands of youth over the years and has made a tremendous impact on the lives of minors by showing them respect and kindness; and

WHEREAS, Willie's loyalty and dedication to the Probation Department are greatly appreciated for the past 25 years. We wish Willie and his wife Lillie the very best as they look forward to their retirement with family and friends in Georgia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors commends Willie Sonny Hardman for his 25 years of dedicated service to the minors of Santa Barbara County and to the Probation Department. We wish him much happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State Of California, this 12th day of March, 2002.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

supervisor - 1st district

Supervisor, 2nd District

Supervisor ~ 3rd District

Supervisor 4th District

Supervisor ~ 5th District