



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR DEAN SLEIGH, SENIOR DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER FOR OVER 23 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS AND COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, Dean Sleigh was born in Jamestown, New York, entered the United States Air Force as a Law Enforcement Specialist in 1989, initially stationed at Carswell Air Force Base (AFB) in Ft. Worth, TX and subsequently transferred to Vandenberg AFB in Lompoc, CA in 1993. Upon conclusion of his service in 1996, he was employed at the United States Penitentiary in Lompoc as a Correctional Officer in 1997, and

WHEREAS, in January 2000 he was hired by the Santa Barbara County Probation Department as a Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) assigned to Lompoc Juvenile Services where he supervised a high-risk caseload, served as the first Juvenile Drug Court Officer supervising youth with moderate to severe substance abuse issues, and completed juvenile investigations, and

WHEREAS, in 2004 Officer Sleigh was promoted to a Sr. DPO assigned as the Lompoc Juvenile Services intake officer. In 2006, he transferred to the Lompoc Adult Supervision Unit where he initially supervised a medium caseload. In 2008, he began supervising high-risk clients and was assigned to the Targeted Gang Intervention caseload. In 2013 he was selected to be the first Compliance Response Team (CRT) officer in Lompoc. Dean took pride in the CRT assignment as part of a county-wide, multi-agency team that was responsible for locating and arresting high-risk individuals that absconded from supervision and had warrants issued for their arrest, as well as for conducting compliance checks on those who were under active supervision. He employed professionalism, dedication, and a strong work ethic to ensure this high-risk population received guidance and supervision to help them be successful, while prioritizing community safety, and

WHEREAS, in 2020, he became a Field Training Officer for the Probation Department responsible for training field officers in all offices in field supervision tactics and safety procedures. This role required Officer Sleigh to be well-versed in Department policies and procedures as well as adept at building connections with other law agencies in the field, and

WHEREAS, Dean is looking forward to making new memories with his family, especially his three grandsons. He plans to play golf during the spring and summer and hunt during the fall and winter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognizes and congratulates Dean Sleigh for over 23 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 21st day of March by the unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 1st District

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