



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: County Executive
Office
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: February 2, 2010
Placement: Administrative
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If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Letter of Support to Senator Boxer

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Letter of Support for Friends of the Library for Congressional funding for the expansion of the Solvang Library, Third District.

Summary Text:

Presently the library provides .11 square feet per capita, a fifth of the space recommended in the state guidelines. An expansion would provide increased internet access, space for children's programs and literacy tutoring, and improved access for the disabled.

Background:

The Solvang Library is administered by the Santa Barbara City Library system and is funded by the City of Solvang and Santa Barbara County. Community, city, and government groups are working to expand the 1900 square foot facility which can no longer adequately serve the needs of the residents. The library is the only public internet access point for many seniors, children and the economically disadvantaged. Currently the library has less than 25% of the recommended number of computers. Meanwhile the library's public internet use is well over the state average as its turnover rate for print materials.

Performance Measure:

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Attachments:

Attachment A - Letter of Support

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