

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION COMMENDING CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION COMMENDING
WILLIE GALVAN
AS RECIPIENT OF THE 2007
HISPANIC ACHEIVEMENT AWARD

WHEREAS, Willie Galvan has been selected to receive the 2007 Hispanic Achievement Council's Award for exceptional professional accomplishments and for his service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Willie was born in Victoria, Texas, the second of four brothers and two sisters, where he helped his family raise cattle and cotton. He was drafted into the military and later honorable discharged as a Staff Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, having experienced social and racial injustice at an early age, Willie became a charter member of the first American G.I. Forum in his hometown. He learned to organize groups of people and to advocate for veterans rights and worked to diminish racial injustice; and

WHEREAS, Willie moved his family to California and earned a Bachelors of Art Degree in Public Service and a Certificate in Criminal Justice at UCSB, a Vocational Teaching Credential at UC Berkley, and attended the School of Applied Business Law at the University of Missouri, and

WHEREAS, Willie has served as Director, Ser-Jobs for Progress, Inc.; Administrator, Northwest Health Center; Public Relations Officer, Marian Community Clinics; Director of Training Programs, California Department of Prisons; Director, Community Action Commission's Food Stamps Program; Personnel Technician, County of Santa Barbara Training Programs and Assembly Aide, Assemblyman Richard Alatorre; and

WHEREAS, Willie has devoted countless hours of volunteer service to community organizations, such as the American G.I. Forum of Santa Maria, Waller Park of Santa Barbara County, 37th Agricultural District of Santa Barbara County, Community Development Block Grants Committee, Santa Maria Parks and Recreation Committee and Santa Maria Catholic Charities Advisory Board member; and

WHEREAS, Willie currently serves as the State Commander of the American G.I. Forum of California, and though retired, remains active in community service and maintains his exemplary role as a devoted husband and father of six grown children.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, commend Willie Galvan for his personal commitment to education, professional excellence, civic involvement and love of family here in Santa Barbara County. Passed and adopted this 9th day of October 2007.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District