



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2018 CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE FOR THE 24TH DISTRICT IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Congressional App Challenge is a great way to get students involved in computer science and teach them hands-on technical skills which promote STEM education early on; and

WHEREAS, after witnessing the recent natural disasters, four Santa Barbara High School Students; Gabrielle Englese, Madeline Rogers, Joy Patterson, and Karleigh Dehlsen, were inspired to create the "Santa Barbara Highlights" app which promotes Santa Barbara's local economy through support of local businesses; and

WHEREAS, According to research from Accenture and Girls Who Code, the gender gap in computing jobs is steadily increasing with the percent of women in computer science majors decreasing from thirty-seven percent in 1984 to eighteen percent by 2014; and

WHEREAS, It is critical we support young women in computer science due to the lack of women entering the computer science field despite the industry's rate of job creation being three times the national average; and

WHEREAS, the "Santa Barbara Highlights" app was created by four young women from the Santa Barbara High School Computer Science Academy which provides coursework, outside opportunities, and experience in computer science to young women and students to prepare them for a field where women are historically underrepresented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors honors Gabrielle Englese, Madeline Rogers, Joy Patterson, and Karleigh Dehlsen for winning the 2018 Congressional App Challenge for California's 24th District and their dedication to the Santa Barbara community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 11th day of December, 2018 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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