

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** 12/10/03  
**Department Name:** Clerk, Recorder and Assessor  
**Department No.:** 062  
**Agenda Date:** 1/6/04  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:** 15 Minutes  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Joseph E. Holland  
County Clerk, Recorder and Assessor & Registrar of Voters

**STAFF:** Bob Smith  
Elections Division, ex. 2204

**CONTACT:**

**SUBJECT:** Certification of Results of the Examination of the Petition for the Formation of  
Mission County.

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Accept the certification of results of the examination of the Petition for the Formation of Mission County that is directed by Government Code Sections 23326, 23328 and 23329.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation is primarily aligned with actions required by law or routine business necessity.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

As authorized by Government Code Chapter 3 (Creation of New Counties) beginning with Section 23300, proponents for the Formation of Mission County filed a petition with the Santa Barbara County Registrar of Voters on November 12, 2003. The Registrar of Voters examined all petition sections to determine whether the requisite number of electors set forth in Government Code Section 23321(b) had signed the petition. As required by this code section, the number of requisite electors signing this petition must be not less than 25% of the electors in the territory of the proposed county (20,779) for the petition to be sufficient. An examination of each section of the petition determined that 21,426 requisite signers affixed their names to the petition. Since this number exceeds the number specified by G.C. 23321(b), the petition is determined to be sufficient.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

No change in programs or service level.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

See County Administrator's letter to the Board of Supervisors dated 4/25/03 for potential impacts.

**Special Instructions:**

Government Code Section 23330 directs the Board of Supervisors to transmit a copy of the petition certification to the Governor.

**Concurrence:**