

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA **CALIFORNIA**

FIFTH DIST.B.O.S.

RESOLUTION HONORING THE 45TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF SANTA MARIA VALLEY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

WHEREAS, Altrusa International of Santa Maria and the Recreation and Parks Commission member, Marilyn Stanley, recognized a need for an activity center for seniors where they could meet, participate in hobbies and gain new interests and friends; and

WHEREAS, in August 1961 the Santa Maria Valley Senior Citizens Club was founded with its name being adopted and bylaws drawn the following year - Arleen Fesler was the first presiding officer with 20 charter members and an annual dues fee of \$1.00; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Club first met at the McClelland Parks and Recreation Building and from 1972 until 1984 when the City of Santa Maria gave the Senior Club the use of the Cypress Building. With the membership growing the need for a larger facility was recognized by the City. The use of revenue funds and donations from the late Mayor Ehvin E. Mussel, the Elwin Mussel Senior Center multi-purpose building was opened in April 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Club offers a variety of activities and programs such as dances, live music, door prizes, refreshments, porlucks, bingo, card games, bridge, fashion shows and traveling; in 2002 the Senior Club was awarded the "Senior Citizens Program of the Year" by the Area Agency on Aging for its accomplishments and service to the community; and

WHEREAS, seniors are thankful and proud of its Club and its facility; and in August 2006 the Senior Club will mark 45 years of their existence and with the continued support of the City, its Parks and Recreation Department staff, and the senior volunteers, seniors can look forward to many more wonderful years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, honor the Santa Maria Valley Senior Citizens Club's 45th Anniversary here in Santa Barbara County. Passed and adopted this 8th day of August 2006.



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