

**POSTHUMOUS
RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR
DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER, SENIOR
KATHLEEN FRANCES MORRELLI**

WHEREAS, Kathleen Frances Morrelli was born in Brooklyn, New York, and graduated in 1989 from the University of California, Santa Barbara, with a Bachelor of Arts in double majors, Law and Society/Sociology and in 1992 with a Master's degree in Educational Psychology. Kathy was also a Licensed Vocation Nurse and completed coursework in the Registered Nursing Program; and

WHEREAS, Kathy began her career with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department in 1994 as a Juvenile Institutions Officer assigned to the Santa Barbara Juvenile Hall and promoted in 1996 to Deputy Probation Officer and assigned to Children's System of Care in Santa Maria. Kathy's career as a Deputy Probation Officer included multiple assignments in both the Juvenile and Adult Divisions. In 2000, Kathy was promoted to Deputy Probation Officer, Senior. Kathy's intelligence, compassion for clients and dedication to her work was evident in all her assignments and in 2004, she was transferred to the Adult Division and was assigned to the Proposition 36 caseload and later the domestic violence caseload; and

WHEREAS, Kathy was a "complete" Probation Officer. Kathy was knowledgeable in criminal law and presented her viewpoints well in Court, both orally and in writing; she worked tirelessly with clients struggling with substance abuse issues and clients seeking nonviolent paths; Kathy was also quite at ease working next to law enforcement on special operations, performing field visits and making arrests. Her skills were recognized by multiple agencies in each of these capacities and appreciated by numerous probationers who benefited from her supervision, guidance, and support.

WHEREAS, Kathy served as a peace officer and public servant of Santa Barbara with humility and dignity, selflessly giving of herself to all she came in contact; and

WHEREAS, Kathy was the mother of two daughters, Rita and Renee, and will remain forever in their hearts and in the hearts of her cherished grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors posthumously recognizes Kathleen Frances Morrelli for her outstanding service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15th day of May 2007, by unanimous vote of all members present.