

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR JEAN SILVA, ADMINISTRATIVE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR 29 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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WHEREAS, Jean Silva was born and raised in Portland, Oregon, attended Reed College, majoring in History and began her public service career in 1970 as a Program Coordinator for the Portland, Oregon Community Action Commission; and

WHEREAS, Jean went on to serve the Department of Human Services in Portland until 1979; first as an analyst, who demonstrated her fiscal prowess early in her career by submitting a successful \$5 million grant application, and later as Assistant to the Department Director, where she supervised contracts and assisted in budget preparation, and

WHEREAS, Jean began her employment with the County of Santa Barbara in 1980 as the Director of the Human Services Commission; in 1990 she became an Administrative Analyst III for the County Administrator's Office; and in 1994, she transitioned to Business Manager III for the Clerk-Recorder-Assessor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Probation Department was fortunate to recruit Jean as Business Manager III in 1996, and in 2003 she was reclassified to Chief Financial Officer and ultimately served as Administrative Deputy Director over Probation fiscal operations. information technologies and support services; and

WHEREAS, In the year 2000, Jean received the Chief's Award for her exemplary service as the Business Manager for the Probation Department, and in 2006 received the coveted Employee of the Year award by the California Probation Business Managers Association; and

WHEREAS, Jean is an avid reader of many subjects, sharing insightful and informative "jewels" from her reading experience and masterfully using elaborate analogies to clarify difficult topics, and

WHEREAS, Jean "models the way" in both her professional and personal life by her focused dedication to Department operations and her personal demonstration of community service and ecological responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Jean and her beloved husband, Phil are volunteers and principle driving forces for B.U.N.S. (Bunnies Urgently Needing Shelter), as well as at the Santa Barbara Animal Shelter, having received the Community Hero Award for volunteerism in 2001 and spending many long hours assisting the Animal Shelter in caring for and housing displaced animals during the Jesusita Fire emergency; and

WHEREAS, The Probation Department will miss Jean's exceptional professionalism, wisdom, focused teamwork, and years of support and friendship, and wishes her all the best that life has to offer in retirement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognizes Jean Silva for 29 years of distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department and wishes her happiness in retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 6th day of October, 2009, by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Clerk of the Board

ATTEST:

Supervisor - 5th District