



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR KELLY MCLAUGHLIN UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Kelly McLaughlin has devotedly served the child support program and the families and children of Santa Barbara County for 22 years as she advanced through the program from an Attorney I to Managing Child Support Attorney, to Interim Director (in 2018) and most recently to her current role of Interim Assistant Director of Child Support Services; and

WHEREAS, Kelly fostered an environment of innovation, growth and risk taking as she spearheaded electronic virtual files and a paperless Court, led the team responsible for the largest single collection in the department's history and initiated a departmentwide program that led to increased collections from trusts and probates; and

WHEREAS, Kelly has contributed significantly to County and statewide initiatives through her work in the COVID-19 vaccination pods, by co-leading the Legal College and Managing Attorneys forums, by presenting at multiple Child Support Directors Association conferences and by her successful efforts to amend legislation to allow the Department of Child Support Services greater access to relevant court files; and

WHEREAS, Kelly has demonstrated unwavering commitment, legal expertise and compassion in advocating for the best interests of children and families and has applied her keen knowledge of the law to help the department to manage the most complex and sensitive cases, complaints and security issues; and

WHEREAS, Kelly will be concluding her 22 years of public service with Santa Barbara County when she retires on March 29, 2024, leaving her time to garden, create and design in her wood workshop, explore hiking trails and discover her next passion; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors commends Kelly McLaughlin for her commitment and distinguished public service to the families in our County, congratulates her upon her retirement, and wishes her many years of continued good health and happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 19th day of March, 2024, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Sharon Reyesato
Clerk of the Board

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