

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CALIFORNIA

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County was established in 1959 by three lawyers, Lloyd Iverson, Stanley Schwartz and Harris Seed, and has provided free legal assistance in critical legal matters; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County is to ensure that low income persons, those with disabilities and seniors have access to the civil justice system and to secure safe shelter, adequate income, and protection from domestic violence and elder abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County provides free consultations with private attorneys through its Project Outreach program at the Franklin Neighborhood Center, the Goleta Valley Community Center and the Westside Community Center; and

WHEREAS, in 2008 alone, Legal Aid Foundation staff and volunteers helped over 5,000 county residents with legal problems that included assisting domestic violence abuse victims obtain restraining orders, renters maintain their housing and improve living conditions, homeless individuals and families obtain stable housing and benefits, and preventing elder abuse;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County for its fifty years of dedicated service to all residents of Santa Barbara County and further commends Legal Aid for its focus on assisting our most vulnerable populations access our legal system.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 12 day of May, 2009 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

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Supervisor - 2nd District

MITTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 5th District