

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 15TH DISTRICT CALIFORNIA PTA'S PARTICIPATION CALIFORNIA PTA REFLECTIONS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in 1969 National Parent/Teacher Association board member Mary Lou Anderson established the Reflections Program, an arts recognition and achievement program that provides opportunities for students to express themselves creatively and to receive positive recognition for original works of art inspired by an annual pre-selected theme, while increasing community awareness on the importance of the arts in education, and;

WHEREAS, the Reflections Program is organized by school grades with the categories being: Primary (Preschool - Grade 2), Intermediate (Grades 3-5), Middle/Junior (Grades 6-8) and Senior (Grades 9-12); and students may submit only original works of art in one of four art categories; Literature, Musical Composition, Photography or Visual Arts, and;

WHEREAS, the Reflections Program is structured for Parent/Teacher Associations to recognize students at the local unit level, council level, PTA District level, State level and National level; entries first being judged at the local unit level where selected works are chosen to represent the PTA at each subsequent level. Once entries reach the state level, the state PTA may select entries to submit to the National PTA. Awards of Excellence and Awards of Merit are recognized at the Annual National PTA Convention and are displayed as part of the program's traveling exhibit, and;

WHEREAS, the 15th District of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers which represents Santa Barbara County has been participating in the Reflections Program since it's inception in 1969 and during that time three entries from the 15th District have made it to the National Competition and one entry won the National Competition in the 1980's in the Literature Category. The theme for the 2005/2006 Program year was "I wonder why....." and 2,458 entries were submitted county wide; of those 75 were chosen for recognition at the District Level and 15 chosen to go to the California State PTA for judging against approximately 800 other entries from across the state. Those entries that win at the State Level will go on to represent California at the National Competition, and;

WHEREAS, on Saturday, February 25, 2006 the 15th District will hold their Annual Reflections Exhibition in Buellton, CA. and present awards to the 75 district winners and announce the 15 entries that will be going to the State competition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes the 15th DISTRICT OF THE CALIFORNIA CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS and the NATIONAL PTA REFLECTIONS PROGRAM for their past, present and continuing efforts to promote art in our educational institutions.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 21st day of February, 2006 by unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4M District

Supervisor - 5th District