

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR)
JON AHLROTH FOR 26 YEARS OF SERVICE)
TO THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA)**

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth began his tenure with the County Water Agency in 1976 and has often worked weekends, nights, or whenever he darn well pleased since; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his County employment, Jon Ahlroth served his country aboard the U. S. Navy Destroyer Twining and subsequently graduated Magna Cum Laude from the Colorado School of Mines; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has been a key investigator for water supply studies and has assisted Santa Barbara County in maintaining a stable and diverse water supply; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has measured over 180 wells throughout Santa Barbara County every spring since 1976, supplying accurate, up to date and reliable information about ground-water supplies; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has been the technical force behind development of the widely accepted hydrologic model of the Santa Ynez River used by many agencies for water supply planning purposes; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has developed a Bradbury Dam winter storm operation procedure to reduce flood flows in the Santa Ynez River below Cachuma Lake avoiding untold property damages; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has commuted by bicycle, and normally vacationed on his bicycle, including trips in Europe, through the Mojave Desert in July, most recently with his wife and tandem partner Ruth; and

WHEREAS, Jon Ahlroth has faithfully served the people of Santa Barbara County to the highest standards and has been an exemplary public employee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on behalf of the people of the County of Santa Barbara the Board of Supervisors, thanks Jon Ahlroth for his public service and wishes him well on his next bicycle adventure and many more after that.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 12th day of March, 2002, by unanimous vote of all members present.