



**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DEBORAH HARTMAN
FOR HER 28 YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC
SERVICE IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Deborah is retiring from the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services after 40 years of dedicated Public Service in the social work field during which time she worked in Child Welfare Services (CWS) for the State of Connecticut and Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Deborah earned her MSW at Southern Connecticut State University in 1991, and sought ongoing education and understanding of the evolving needs and issues facing children and families through numerous trainings over the years, sharing her accumulation of experience and knowledge with her staff and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Deborah has built wide professional networks both locally and statewide throughout her career that have helped to develop and support programs for the most vulnerable children and families, and served as the Implementation Program Lead for CWS IT systems in both Connecticut, and Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Deborah has exemplified what it is to be a helping professional throughout her entire career, working with children and families with a compassionate, engaging, and empathetic approach, passionately advocating for thousands of children to achieve safety, permanency, and well-being through her social work, and volunteering hundreds of hours at the Emergency Operations Center during Santa Barbara County disasters; and

WHEREAS, Deborah inspired many with her out of the box thinking, collaboration, and creativity, as well as her witty acronyms: D-dedicated, E-enthusiastic, B-brave, O-optimistic, R-resourceful, A-authentic, H-humorous;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara does hereby acknowledge her 28 years of dedicated and faithful public service to the residents of Santa Barbara County, and honors, commends, and congratulates Deborah upon her retirement on January 12th, 2026.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 16th day of December, 2025 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



Maria Inezasat
ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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