

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION HONORING DARLENE CHIRMAN FOR HER SERVICE AS PRESIDENT OF SANTA BARBARA AUDUBON SOCIETY

WHEREAS, Darlene Chirman served as president of the Santa Barbara Audubon Society for twelve years. Darlene originally trained as a nurse and then earned a graduate degree at University of California Davis as a Restoration Biologist in Native Plant Ecology. She is highly respected across Santa Barbara County for her expertise in habitat restoration; and

WHEREAS, many of the projects and programs Darlene has nurtured have helped define Audubon in the community's mind, including Eyes in the Sky, which brings recovered raptors into schools, and the Snowy Plover Decent Program. Darlene has done and supervised habitat restoration at Devereux Slough, Arroyo Hondo, and many other sites. She has also helped conserve and protect threatened south coast sites such as Naples, More Mesa and San Marcos Foothills; and

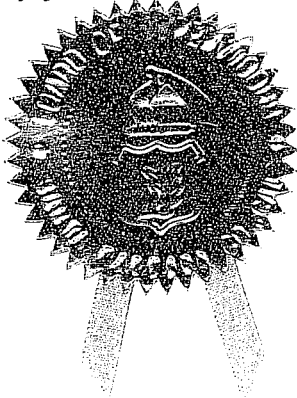
WHEREAS, Darlene has tremendously expanded "citizen science" programs on the south coast, including nest monitoring, census of migrating birds, bird banding, California Condor recovery, Channel Island bird studies, and many more; and

WHEREAS, during her presidency, Darlene laid the foundation for a long-term endowment fund, enhanced the Development Committee enough that when the chance arose to build a new news/aviary, Santa Barbara Audubon raised hundreds of thousands of dollars; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her service as president of Santa Barbara Audubon Society, Darlene has served on many community task forces and commissions, including seven years as the Second District representative on the County Parks Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commend Darlene Chirman for her dedicated and tireless service to the Santa Barbara Audubon Society and to the citizens of Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 18th day of June, 2013 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Chandra Walker
Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 1st District

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Supervisor - 4th District

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