



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION COMMENDING SEE INTERNATIONAL FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2024, SEE International will celebrate its 50th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, since the organization's founding in 1974 by local Santa Barbara ophthalmologist Dr. Harry Brown, along with many other visionaries, SEE has reached great heights in its mission to end preventable blindness; and

WHEREAS, SEE provides access to sight-restoring surgeries and essential eyecare to people who do not have access to these services; and

WHEREAS, partners include volunteer doctors and medical professionals, U.S. and international organizations, and generous donors; and

WHEREAS, since inception, over 5 million people worldwide, including over 750,000 surgeries in 54 countries, have been served; and

WHEREAS, local and domestic programs serve the Central Coast of California with the local SEE Vision Clinic program and in various states in our nation. SEE provides screenings, comprehensive eye exams, prescription glasses, and surgical referral services; and

WHEREAS, SEE is a partner and provides vital services at the Santa Barbara County Veterans Stand Down, an annual event to assistance homeless and at-risk military veterans get back on their feet; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors acknowledges SEE International as a unique organization with a very important purpose and function in Santa Barbara County and worldwide and honors SEE International upon its 50th anniversary and commends the organization for its continued dedication to preserving, protecting and enhancing the quality of life for the citizens of Santa Barbara County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 10th day of September 2024, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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