

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR MICHAEL BALABAN

WHEREAS Michael Balaban founded Camp Unity at the Santa Ynez Valley High School to encourage young people to respect and celebrate each other's uniqueness; and

WHEREAS Michael Balaban brought a unique theater opportunity, "The Circuit", to the Santa Ynez Valley High school and thirty other schools in Santa Barbara County, to teach students about the plight of immigrant migrant workers and their families; and

WHEREAS Michael Balaban was instrumental in founding the Santa Barbara County Human Relations Commission in 1991 and served on the board for six years; and

WHEREAS Michael Balaban currently serves on the board of People Helping People and on the board of the Santa Barbara Anti-Defamation League; and

WHEREAS The Valley Foundation and the Santa Ynez Valley News wish to honor Michael Balaban for his extraordinary volunteer work and his fund raising in the Santa Ynez Valley community; and

WHEREAS Michael Balaban is being honored as the Man of the Year 2005 for his enthusiasm and energy towards trying to effect positive changes in his local community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends Michael Balaban for his dedicated and tireless service to the Santa Ynez Valley community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2006 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District