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# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

*Resolution Celebrating the Official and Permanent Affiliation of Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital and Cottage Hospital System and the Groundbreaking Ceremony*

*WHEREAS, the Santa Ynez Valley's first and only not-for-profit, acute care hospital was founded in 1964 to serve the medical needs of the growing region; and*

*WHEREAS, the Hospital Auxiliary, nicknamed "The Flying Squadron," continues its stellar tradition of giving both volunteer and financial support for the hospital; and*

*WHEREAS, the Hospital's Foundation, established in 1984, is devoted to generating and channeling financial support to SYVCH; and*

*WHEREAS, in 1993, the Foundation provided approximately \$800,000 to keep the doors open, assuring the Hospital's survival, and allowing leaders to pursue a successful affiliation arrangement with Cottage Health System (CHS) in April of 1995; and*

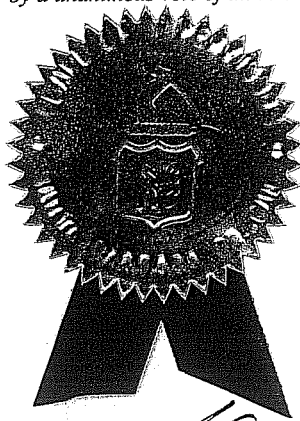
*WHEREAS, effective the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2007, the 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of their Agreement of Affiliation, the affiliation between the Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital and Cottage Health System was observed; and*

*WHEREAS, this affiliation is based on the institutions' shared mission of delivering health care and other charitable activities to the communities they serve; achieving economies of scale by said affiliation; avoiding a duplication of services; and providing additional, integrated, and cost effective health care to residents of the central coast; and*

*WHEREAS, in 2005, the Cottage Health System Board of Directors committed to retrofitting and expanding Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital, thus assuring the Santa Ynez Valley and its residents and visitors a state-of-the-art medical facility;*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors congratulates Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital staff, physicians, etc. on the historic August 1, 2007 groundbreaking ceremony to commemorate its commitment to assuring medical excellence close to home.

*Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007 by a unanimous vote of all members present.*



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 1st District

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Supervisor - 3rd District

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