



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING MARYMOUNT OF SANTA BARBARA FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO SERVICE LEARNING

WHEREAS, Marymount of Santa Barbara has crafted a unique learning experience that blends mastery of core subjects with skills to navigate and to be successful in the rapidly changing world, and;

WHEREAS, a key element of Marymount's approach to learning is fostering a community of local, national, and globally aware citizens through service learning experiences thereby supporting those in true need, and;

WHEREAS, Marymount students have designed and implemented numerous activities to serve the local community specifically assisting those experiencing homelessness, including:

- Developing a slideshow on "Homelessness in Santa Barbara" to have the students become more knowledgeable and empathetic about the experience.
- Implementing "Pay It Forward: 25 Days of Giving Back": wherein the 7th grade Ethics class was challenged to find some way to give to those in need in their community for the 25 days leading up to Christmas. This included buying a burger for a hungry person on the street, passing out blankets to the homeless, and visiting with a homebound elderly neighbor.
- Adopting a family, whereby the Marymount students adopted families through the Salvation Army Program to make their Christmas brighter by buying clothing and gifts for each family member.
- Preparing lunches for Transitions House throughout the school year.
- Challenging all to live on \$1.25 a day in food to understand the plight of those experiencing homelessness.
- Assisting Casa Esperanza by donating boxed lunches and raising over \$5,000 through lemonade stands, basketball shoot-offs, selling soup, and hosting a Chili Cook-off.
- Hosting a coat and blanket drive to keep Santa Barbara County cozy.

WHEREAS, the spirit is high at Marymount and the students are learning how important it is to take care of those in need and to be a part of a solution in the community in which they live, and;

WHEREAS, Marymount's commitment to the local community exemplifies the power of individuals to make a difference and the way learning should be, and;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize and commend Marymount of Santa Barbara for the extraordinary work and commitment to our communities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, the 4th day of March, 2014, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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