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## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATIONS TRAINING TEAM EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH, FEBRUARY 2019 CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS Megan Chanda, Debbie Fox, Lourdes Negrete, Anne Nudson, and Marisa Tanore of the District Attorney's Office, and Lael Wageneck of the Public Works Department, have been selected to share the February 2019 Employee of the Month honors for their outstanding work as the District Attorney's Domestic Violence Investigations Training Team; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence cases are the most common type of violent crime, are among the most predictable and preventable homicides we encounter, and are difficult to investigate and prosecute; and after seeing multiple domestic violence deaths in 2017, our goal was to create an educational program for law enforcement agencies that would drastically reduce that number and support their tireless efforts to reduce domestic violence throughout Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, training and education play tremendous roles in our ability to hold perpetrators of domestic violence accountable, and have been especially effective due to the extraordinary efforts of Megan, Debbie, Lourdes, Anne, Marisa, and Lael, all of whom worked thoughtfully and passionately to create a comprehensive 15-minute domestic violence investigations training video that has already helped save lives in our community, in fact there were no domestic violence deaths reported in 2018; and

WHEREAS, this effort would not have been possible without the commitment from our law enforcement agencies to utilize this training video, nor would it have been possible without Lael Wageneck of the Public Works Department, who educated himself on the complexities of domestic violence investigations so he could produce this invaluable training resource that will be used for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Megan, Debbie, Lourdes, Anne, Marisa, and Lael are all exemplary role models who demonstrate unwavering dedication to the importance of training and education, and their collaborative efforts have made a deeply meaningful difference to domestic violence victims, their families, and our entire community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors commends and recognizes Megan Chanda, Debbie Fox, Lourdes Negrete, Anne Nudson, Marisa Tanore, and Lael Wageneck as the February 2019 County of Santa Barbara Employees of the Month for their exceptional contributions and outstanding service to the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 5th day of February, 2019, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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