

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSING LEGISLATION ASSEMBLY BILL 1019**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (the “Board of Supervisors”) of the County of Santa Barbara (the “County”) is required by the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (“HCD”) to provide for the creation of affordable housing units within the unincorporated area of the County in order to be in compliance with the 2003-2008 Housing Element;

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (“SBCAG”) as the regional authority responsible for the allocation of said prescribed State housing units determines the number of units to be built within the cities and the County of Santa Barbara and, as such, has determined that 3,499 units of affordable housing should be accommodated within the unincorporated County through 2008;

WHEREAS, cities are annexing unincorporated areas of counties in order to meet their mandated housing units, to protect their limited agriculture and open space lands and maintain urban-rural buffers, which consequently constrains the ability of counties to meet their own mandated housing due to loss of land;

WHEREAS, the growth of cities into the unincorporated area of counties and the corresponding loss of unincorporated land does not require a corresponding reduction in a counties’ mandated units. Rather, the current process regarding the exchange of housing credits during an annexation by cities is through negotiations between cities and counties;

WHEREAS, the State does not explicitly acknowledge the loss of land available for housing when annexations occur which results in counties having no practical ability to receive instant relief from their mandated housing units, even when large tracts of land are lost within the seven year housing cycle; and,

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 1019 has been introduced by Assembly Member Sam Blakeslee that would amend Government Code Section 65584.5 to transfer a portion of a county’s housing need to a city through annexation or incorporation of existing county land.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara as follows:

1. The Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes and appreciates the responsiveness and leadership displayed by Assembly Member Sam Blakeslee by introducing Assembly Bill 1019.
2. The Board of Supervisors hereby officially endorses said bill and declares its commitment to support and advocate for the passage of Assembly Bill 1019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, by the following votes:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:

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Brooks Firestone, Chair  
Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Barbara

ATTEST:  
CLERK OF THE BOARD  
MICHAEL J. BROWN

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
STEPHEN S. STARK  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Counsel

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
ROBERT W. GEIS  
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy