



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION HONORING DR. RAY SMITH
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE MISSION CANYON COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, nearly twenty years ago, Dr. Ray Smith assumed the presidency of the Mission Canyon Association and gave new life to its primary function: to protect lives and property in the event of a wildland fire; and

WHEREAS, The Mission Canyon Association now represents almost 1,200 homes in the Mission Canyon area of unincorporated Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith spearheaded the process of organizing the Mission Canyon residents to take action toward what we now call home-hardening to help save lives and property in the event of a wildland fire; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Smith created the annual chipping program to help accomplish this goal and served on the Santa Barbara Firesafe Council to advocate for the residents of Mission Canyon; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ray Smith was instrumental in the creation of the Mission Canyon Residential Design Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ray Smith was instrumental in drafting the Mission Canyon Community Plan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ray Smith was instrumental in publishing the Mission Canyon Wildfire Protection Plan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ray Smith's advocacy for Mission Canyon likely saved lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Dr. Ray Smith for his outstanding contributions to the Mission Canyon community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 7th day of May, 2024 by the unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Monique [Signature]
Clerk of the Board

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