

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR
LIEUTENANT LELAND BENTLEY
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Leland Bentley retired from County service on Sunday, March 9, 2008, having faithfully served the Sheriff's Department for a period of over thirty years (30), during which he served as a Sheriff's Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Leland Bentley began his career with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department on February 20, 1978, as a Deputy Sheriff. During his thirty years of service he has worked in various capacities, including Patrol, Narcotics, Human Resources and Internal Affairs, and laid the foundation for the first Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Activity League program; and

WHEREAS, Leland Bentley throughout his career, demonstrated a positive influence and professionalism to the employees of the Sheriff's Department as he moved through the organization attaining the rank of Sheriff's Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Leland Bentley provided the citizens of Santa Barbara County exemplary professionalism and responsive law enforcement service while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice; and

WHEREAS, Leland Bentley's knowledge, skills and experience contributed greatly to the overall mission and the goals of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department as well as the County values of Accountability, Customer-Focus and Efficiency.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors commends Leland Bentley for his faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and congratulates him upon his retirement and wishes him and his wife, Renee, continued good health and many years of happiness.*

***PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this March 18, 2008, by unanimous vote of all members present.*