

# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION HONORING MARGARET CONNELL  
AS THE 2011 RECIPIENT OF THE  
PLANNED PARENTHOOD ACTION FUND GIRAFFE AWARD**

*WHEREAS, Margaret Connell is being honored by the Planned Parenthood Action Fund with the Giraffe Award. The Giraffe Award is traditionally presented to an individual for "sticking his or her neck out" for choice; and to someone who has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to Planned Parenthood's mission; and*

*WHEREAS, Ms. Connell was first elected to the Santa Barbara School Board in 1975, where she served for nearly 20 years. Margaret was appointed to the Santa Barbara County Civil Service Commission, and has served on the County Air Pollution Control District, South Coast Homeless Coalition, Community Housing Action Group, and Building Bridges Coalition; and*

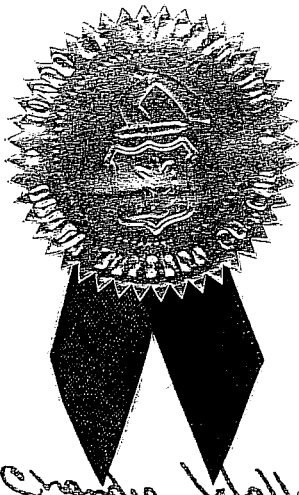
*WHEREAS, Ms. Connell was a founding member of Goleta Now—that worked successfully for the incorporation of Goleta in 2001—and served as the first Mayor of the Goleta, where she currently serves in the capacity as Mayor; and*

*WHEREAS, Ms. Connell has performed numerous civic duties and has fought for the rights of women throughout Santa Barbara, Ventura and San Luis Obispo Counties. In her professional capacity at the local Planned Parenthood affiliate she advocated for legislation that protected access to family planning services and comprehensive sexuality education in schools; and*

*WHEREAS, Ms. Connell has demonstrated a lifetime commitment to women's issues. She served on the board of the Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center; helped establish the Santa Barbara Pro-Choice Coalition; and served on the Santa Barbara County Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Task Force.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT that this Board of Supervisors honors Margaret Connell as the recipient of Planned Parenthood Action Fund's 2011 Giraffe Award and further recognizes her lifelong commitment to activism, leadership, advocacy and dedicated service to her community.*

*PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.*



ATTEST: *Chandra Kellan*  
Clerk of the Board

*L. J. O'Connell*  
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Supervisor - 1st District

*Janet Wolf*  
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Supervisor - 2nd District

*Robert Karch*  
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Supervisor - 3rd District

*Jim Gray*  
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Supervisor - 4th District

*St. Dennis*  
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Supervisor - 5th District