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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING CHIEF KEVIN WALLACE UPON HIS
RETIREMENT FROM THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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WHEREAS, Fire Chief Kevin Wallace is retiring after more than three decades of service that includes working at the Montecito Fire Protection District since 1983; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wallace began his fire service career in 1981 as a Hot Shot for Santa Barbara County. He was then hired as an engineer with the Western Hills Fire Protection District in Greeley, Colorado before coming to the Montecito Fire Protection District in 1983. He was promoted to Captain in 1988, Battalion Chief in 1996, Division Chief in 2001, and on October 1st, 2006 he was officially Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wallace has been a strong proponent of interagency collaboration. This includes serving as an Operations Section Chief with a type 2 interagency incident management team from the Los Padres National Forest, serving as the President on the Board of Directors for the Fire Districts Association of California and as treasurer for the Fire Chief's Association of Santa Barbara County for the past 4 years. Furthermore, Chief Wallace supported partnerships with the County and other local public safety agencies to share resources in both preparing and responding to emergencies such as the recent Tea, Gap, Jesusita and Zaca wildfires; and

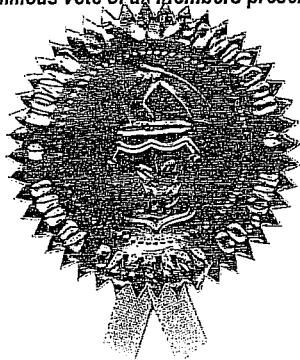
WHEREAS, Kevin Wallace demonstrated great leadership and commitment to public safety during the devastating Tea Fire that took place in the hills of Montecito. The training and effectiveness of the Montecito Fire Protection District worked to save lives and property during this fast moving wildfire; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wallace has been married to his wife Maureen for 29 years. They have 2 children: daughter Erin Wallace, 27, who has worked for the San Francisco Education Fund for 3 years, and son Shane Wallace, 25, who has been a firefighter for the Los Padres National Forest for 2 years; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Wallace is an avid outdoorsman. Upon retirement he is looking forward to taking a 6 week road trip across the Western United States to be followed by training for a 5 month trek along the Pacific Crest Trail.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Chief Kevin Wallace upon his retirement from the Montecito Fire Protection District and further commends him for his decades of commitment to ensuring public safety for all residents of our county.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 22nd day of May, 2012 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Walker
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