



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR SHERIFF'S CANINE ODIN UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, Sheriff's Canine Odin will be retiring from County service on April 2, 2024, having provided the Sheriff's Office and communities of Santa Barbara County with unwavering dedication and loyalty for over eight years; and

WHEREAS, K-9 Odin emigrated from Germany in 2016 to join the Sheriff's Office, completed California P.O.S.T. training and evaluations with distinction, showcasing proficiency in obedience, search, handler protection, apprehension, and explosives detection, totaling over one thousand and eight hundred hours of subsequent training; and

WHEREAS, K-9 Odin has been utilized for evidence searches, lost or missing person searches, deputy protection during major disturbances, as well as hundreds of property and building searches, and in 2020 assisted in the apprehension of twenty-two suspects who attempted to smuggle over five thousand and three hundred pounds of dried marijuana and forty gallons of marijuana crude oil from a panga boat into Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, K-9 Odin has been deployed over three-hundred times throughout his career, resulting in over one hundred arrests, including eighteen physical apprehensions of violent felons, burglars, arsonists, narcotic users, and attempted jail escapees; and

WHEREAS, K-9 Odin, throughout his illustrious fifty-one dog-years of service, provided the men and women of the Sheriff's Office protection and companionship, participated in numerous exhibitions for thousands of people, including civic groups and clubs, private organizations, youth groups, and more than fifty schools, and was an ambassador to the communities of Santa Barbara County, becoming known as "The People's Dog."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes Sheriff's law enforcement canine, Odin, thanks him and his handler, Deputy Farley, for outstanding performance to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates him upon his retirement, and wishes him and the Farley family continued good health and many years of happiness and tail wags.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, on this 2nd day of April, 2024 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Donna Reynolds
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