

Santa Barbara County of

Barbara

RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF THE CALIFORNIA NATURE ART MUSEUM'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the California Nature Art Museum, originally founded in 2000 as The Wildling Museum by conservation advocate and artist Patti Jacquemain, was created to inspire stewardship of nature through art and education; and

WHEREAS, the museum has presented more than 120 exhibitions, showcasing the work of local, regional, and nationally renowned artists, together with educational programs, and community outreach, furthering awareness of nature's beauty and fragility; and

WHEREAS, the museum serves as a center for environmental education, offering enriching experiences for all ages - including free school group tours, free admission for children under 17, seasonal nature excursions, and art workshops that connect all ages to the natural world; and

WHEREAS, the museum actively supports local artists by providing exhibition space, opportunities to sell their work, and community art shows featuring students and seniors, thereby enriching the cultural life of Santa Barbara County and the broader tri-county region; and

WHEREAS, the California Nature Art Museum is also a home to Lulu Hyggelig, a whimsical troll sculpture by Danish recycle artist Thomas Dambo, which has attracted thousands of visitors and garnered national attention, further enhancing Solvang's reputation as a destination for public art and cultural tourism;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara does hereby recognize and commend the California Nature Art Museum on its 25th anniversary for its enduring contributions to art, culture, environmental education, and community engagement, and for its strong partnerships with conservation organizations, museums, schools, universities, and artists in advancing environmental awareness and creative expression on California's Central Coast.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 16th day of September, 2025 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



Maria Nizaset

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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