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CORINNE BASSO, SENIOR DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER CALIFORNIA FOR OVER 23 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS AND COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, Corinne Christine Basso was born in Winchester, Massachusetts, and moved to Santa Barbara in 1980. Graduating from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1979 and earning a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. She began her career in public service in 1981 with the Santa Barbara Police Department, as a Public Service Assistant and also a Parking Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, following an internship with the Probation Department collecting restitutions for victims, in 1995 Officer Basso was hired as an extra help group counselor at the Santa Barbara Juvenile Hall and subsequently hired as a fulltime Deputy Probation Officer in 1996, promoting to Senior Deputy Probation Officer in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Officer Basso worked in both the Juvenile and Adult Divisions, which allowed her the opportunity to work with sex offenders, domestic violence cases, mental health offenders, substance abuse cases and a variety of Juvenile supervision cases. She received the Department's Bulldog Award in 2009 for increasing the collection of restitution for victims, as well as fines and fees; and

WHEREAS, Officer Basso has been a positive force for change, fostering individual growth in staff and offenders. Many have benefitted from her passion, empathy, positivity, and commitment to improving lives. She has trained numerous new officers throughout her career, instilling the importance and honor of being a peace officer, inspiring others to see their employment as not a job, but a career; and

WHEREAS, Officer Basso is the proud mother of Brian, a City of Oxnard firefighter, who also protects and serves his local community. In retirement, she plans to golf, fish, travel, cycle, and attend Broadway shows. She is prepared to take advantage of the next chapter in her life, enjoying leisure activities and focusing on physical health.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognize Corinne Basso for over 23 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department, and extend to her best wishes for a fulfilling, enjoyable, and rewarding retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 19th day of March by the unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 3rd District Supervisor - 4th District Supervisor - 5th District