



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CHUMASH CASINO RESORT AS THE FIRST TRUE ZERO WASTE FACILITY IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, members of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians have maintained the tribe's long-standing tradition of respecting the land and understanding the importance of protecting the environment; and

WHEREAS, throughout the growth of its successful Chumash Casino Resort, tribal leadership has made sustainable practices a priority, implementing efforts to conserve energy, save water and promote recycling to reduce the Reservation's overall waste stream; and

WHEREAS, the casino's facilities department took the concept of recycling to an elevated level, creating community partnerships, finding outside vendors with innovative recycling techniques and fostering cooperation across different internal departments to ensure the waste stream could be significantly reduced; and

WHEREAS, the Chumash Casino Resort happily reports that it diverted 90.9 percent of waste, nearly 3,000 pounds, from local landfills in 2018 thanks to its recycling and waste reduction programs; and

WHEREAS, the Chumash Casino Resort was recognized in April 2019 by Green Business Certification Inc., as a Total Resource Use and Efficiency (TRUE) Zero Waste facility certified at the Silver level, becoming the first facility in Indian Gaming to hold such a distinction; and

WHEREAS, the TRUE Zero Waste certification program is used by facilities to define, pursue and achieve their zero waste goals, cutting their carbon footprint and supporting public health. TRUE-certified projects are environmentally responsible and achieve a minimum of 90 percent waste diversion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians as owning and operating the first TRUE Zero Waste facility in Santa Barbara County.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7th day of May 2019 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



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Clerk of the Board