



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING
ST. VINCENT'S OF SANTA BARBARA
FOR COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
2008 SECOND DISTRICT SERVICE AWARD**

WHEREAS, The month of March is National Women's History Month, and the Commission for Women presents Annual Service Awards to honor organizations which work to improve the lives of women who live in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, St. Vincent's has served the most vulnerable and needy of Santa Barbara County for 150 years and is Santa Barbara's oldest, continuous social service agency; and

WHEREAS, The mission of St. Vincent's is to break the cycle of poverty, violence, and abuse within Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Through its PATHS program, St. Vincent's specifically works with women and children in time of crisis by providing shelter and life skills training to those leaving abusive homes; and

WHEREAS, In 1917 St. Vincent's opened one of the first child care programs in California, St. Vincent's Day Nursery. And now the Casa Alegria Children's Center provides affordable, quality childcare services to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers of working parents; and

WHEREAS, The St. Vincent's Gardens and Villa Caridad Affordable Housing Projects provide housing and expanded services to low income families and seniors age 62 and over.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that this Board of Supervisors congratulates St. Vincent's of Santa Barbara for being the 2008 recipient of the Commission for Women Service Award for the Second District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this eighteenth day of March 2008, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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