

## SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING UCSB ARTS & LECTURES UPON ITS 50th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, for the past 50 years, Arts & Lectures has presented an innovative, unique, entertaining and diverse program of exceptional performances, films and lectures; and

WHEREAS, Arts & Lectures was established to promote the arts as an integral and necessary facet of education that elevates the human spirit and provokes the imagination, inspires personal discovery and intellectual inquiry, and sustains an inclusive and diverse community; and

WHEREAS, Arts & Lectures, led by its director Celesta Billeci, has developed partnerships and fruitful collaborations with numerous local agencies and groups, including the Santa Barbara County Arts Commission, the Lobero Theatre, The Granada, the Marjorie Luke Theatre, the Arlington Theater, the Pearl Chase Society, the Santa Barbara Dance Alliance, Children's Creative Project, the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation, the Guadalupe Cultural Arts & Education Center, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Isla Vista Youth Projects, Victoria Theater; and

WHEREAS, Arts & Lectures has created educational opportunities for a wide audience through educational outreach programs that include master classes, discussions, demonstrations, and workshops with world-class artists that reach more than 20,000 individuals a year; and

WHEREAS, Arts & Lectures has conducted unique long-term residencies, extensive both in scale and scope, with artists from around the world, to engage students both on and off the UCSB campus in lively dialogues and extended learning opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Arts & Lectures has partnered in a unique collaboration with other local organizations to create ¡Viva el Arte de Santa Barbara!, a residency program that provides performances and workshops to underserved communities in Santa Barbara County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors and commends UCSB Arts & Lectures upon its 50th anniversary and for its significant contribution to the cultural vitality of our community.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 1st day of September, 2009 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

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3rd District

4th District

Supervisor - 5th District