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RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR SENIOR DEPUTY COUNTY COUNSEL MARIA SALIDO NOVATT UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2022, Senior Deputy County Counsel Maria Salido Novatt will retire after over 28 years of faithful dedicated service to the County of Santa Barbara, Office of County Counsel;

WHEREAS, upon her retirement, Ms. Novatt boasted the most varied portfolio of assignments including, among others, advising the Probation Department, Adult Protection Services, and the Public Guardian, working with the Sheriff's Office on bail bonds, writs, and Pitchess motions, serving as an Emergency Operations Center Team member, as well supporting the Agricultural Preserve Advisory Committee, Civil Service Commission, Assessment Appeals Board, Air Pollution Control District Hearing Board, First Five Commission, and Community Corrections Partnership;

WHEREAS, in her 28 years, Ms. Novatt has also supported many other County departments and assignments including Child Welfare Services dependency calendars and appeals, independent districts, Civil Service Commission disciplinary hearings, workers' compensation, and numerous litigation cases;

WHEREAS, Ms. Novatt is known for her practical and direct approach to addressing legal issues, her mentoring of less-experienced attorneys in the office, and her willingness to help and "can do" support of the office and her colleagues which includes her organizing the office in-house training programs;

WHEREAS, Ms. Novatt's upcoming retirement promises more freedom to pursue her many interests including but not limited to her doggies (Suki and Titan), volunteering, fashion, fitness, spending time with family and friends and, the only things that come in pairs which she enjoys more than shoes: her twin sons, Adam and Zachary, and her adorable new twin grandsons, Hunter and Tyler.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends Maria Salido Novatt for her faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates her upon her retirement from County service, and wishes her and her family many years of good health and happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 6th day of December, 2022 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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