

OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION ALIFORNIA

HONORING LESLIE ANNE WELLS FOR 28 YEARS OF COUNTY SERVICE

WHEREAS, Leslie Anne Wells began employment with the Santa Barbara County Public Works Department in the Solid Waste & Utilities Division (now called the Resource Recovery & Waste Management Division) as extra help in May 1995 and became a regular employee in August 1995 as a Solid Waste Program Specialist; and

WHEREAS, upon promotion to Solid Waste Program Manager (now Program Business Leader - General), she implemented a franchised solid waste collection system and developed several innovative waste reduction programs, including the Residential Green Waste Collection Program and the Mandatory Commercial Recycling Program; and

WHEREAS, due to her high level of competency and experience, Leslie promoted to Deputy Director in November 2018. As Deputy Director, Leslie was instrumental in the procurement of \$149 million in bond funding to develop and construct the Tajiguas ReSource Center, which diverts recyclable and salvageable organic material from the landfill in compliance with California Senate Bill 1383; and

WHEREAS, Leslie is respected by her staff, County leadership, local agency partners, community members, and all whom she comes in contact with: and

WHEREAS, Leslie's 28 years of commitment, knowledge, mentoring, and experience, as well as her killer enchiladas and other delicious dishes that she frequently shares with her colleagues during office potlucks, will be greatly missed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors recognizes and thanks Leslie Anne Wells for her 28 years of public service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and wishes her the best in her well-deserved retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 21st day of March 2023, by unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor -1st District Supervisor - 2nd District Supervisor - 3rd District Supervisor - 4th District Supervisor - 5th District