RESOLUTION NO. 23-78



BARBARA RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR AFORNIA

SHERIFF'S SERGEANT MATTHEW McFARLIN UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, Mathew McFarlin will be retiring from County service on Friday, March 31, 2023, having faithfully served the Sheriff's Office for over 28 years, during which he served as a Sheriff's Reserve Deputy, Sheriff's Deputy, Senior Deputy, Detective, and Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, Matthew McFarlin started his career with Santa Barbara County on July 7, 1994, as a Sheriff's Reserve Deputy. In 1996, he became a Deputy Sheriff. During his twenty-eight years of service, he has worked in various capacities which included Patrol, Search and Rescue, Special Enforcement Team (SWAT), Narcotics, Criminal Investigations, AB109 Supervision Team (CRT), Incident Commander, Dispatcher, and Sheriff's BBQ Team; and

WHEREAS, Matthew McFarlin provided expertise, passion, and leadership in Law Enforcement to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, the Sheriff's Office, and all emergency services, contributing greatly to the overall professionalism and the goals of the Sheriff's Office and the County. During his tenure, he exemplified the guiding principles of Integrity, Caring, Courage, Fairness and Service. With an emphasis on Service, he often catered numerous county and fund-raising events to not only support his fellow county employees, but his community, by preparing and serving top-notch BBQ dishes; and

WHEREAS, Matthew McFarlin, throughout his career, provided the employees of the Sheriff's Office positive leadership and professionalism, and to the citizens extraordinary professionalism and law enforcement service, while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice, allowing him to rise steadily to the formal rank of Senior Sheriff's Sergeant and the informal rank of Grill Master; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends Matthew McFarlin for his faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates him upon his retirement, and wishes him and his wife, Jennifer, continued good health and many years of happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 4th day of April, 2023 by unanimous vote of all members present.

