

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING EVANGELINA (EVA) DEBAYONA FOR HER 29 YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Eva retired from the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services after 29 years of dedicated Public Service during which time she served as an Eligibility Worker, and Senior Protective Services Worker in the Adult Protective Services (APS) Program; and

WHEREAS, Eva provided excellent customer service to our vulnerable elder and dependent adult clients on complex cases involving allegations of abuse and neglect, financial exploitation, and cognitive decline. She served as an advocate for those who could not advocate for their own safety and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Eva consistently provided connection and referrals to community-based organizations, legal resources, mental/medical treatment, SSI, Medi-Cal programs, and other support services, addressing the needs of clients and allowing them to further their ability to empower themselves; and

WHEREAS, Eva sought ongoing education, job skills and understanding of the evolving needs and issues facing APS clients through numerous trainings over the years and obtaining certification from the National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA). She shared her accumulation of experience, skills, and knowledge with her colleagues, and left a lasting impact through her passion for mentoring new social workers; and

WHEREAS, Eva has exemplified what it is to be a helping professional throughout her entire career, working with individuals and families with a compassionate, engaging, and empathetic approach and demonstrating a commitment and passion for helping the most vulnerable in our community through her social work. Eva is well respected by her clients, her co-workers, and the many community and professional organizations she worked with.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors recognizes Eva DeBayona for her 29 years of dedicated and faithful public service to the residents of Santa Barbara County and congratulates her on a well-deserved retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 9th day of May, 2023 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3nd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District