

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION HONORING ROBERT OOLEY, FALA UPON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS COLLEGE OF FELLOWS

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WHEREAS, Robert Ooley was inducted as a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). The AIA Fellowship program was developed to elevate those architects who have made a significant contribution to architecture and society on a national level; and

WHEREAS, Robert Ooley is the first California County Architect to receive this designation since the founding of the AIA College of Fellows in 1952, and out of a total AIA membership of over 85,000 individuals there are only 3,200 members distinguished with this honor; and

WHEREAS, Robert Ooley began his architectural career as a draftsman for a local architectural firm in 1980, joined the County of Santa Barbara Office of the County Architect in 1990, and was appointed County Architect in 2002; and

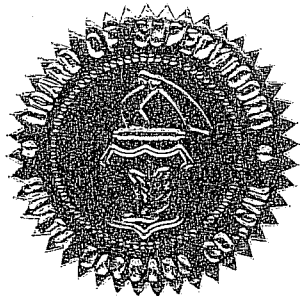
WHEREAS, throughout his career with the County, Robert Ooley has led many high profile projects including: construction of the new District Attorney Building, renovation of the Public Defender Offices and the extremely challenging renovations to the Hall of Records. The Hall of Records project was a complex process that involved fitting newer systems into the historic space while resulting in zero impact to the historic resources. This included the installation of a geothermal heating and cooling system and the novel idea of integrating new mechanical systems into furniture and planters, a concept which was highlighted when the U.S. Secretary of the Interior visited Santa Barbara in 2005 to designate the Santa Barbara County Courthouse a National Historic Landmark; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the fiscal challenges of historic conservation and preservation, Robert Ooley joined former Supervisor Naomi Schwartz and former Superior Court Judge Frank Ochoa in founding the Santa Barbara Courthouse Legacy Foundation in 2004, which has raised over \$1.4 million dollars for the conservation, preservation and restoration of the historic Santa Barbara Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, Robert Ooley has a passion for the Courthouse and historic preservation of our community as evidenced when he spent weeks of his own time working atop a 35-foot scissor lift documenting the details of the Main Arch Ceiling at the historic Santa Barbara County Courthouse, patiently tracing the painted creatures and patterns, then individually photographing them, as no documentation of the original work had ever been done;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors Robert Ooley, upon his elevation to the American Institute of Architects College of Fellows and further commends him for his twenty-five years of dedicated service to the County of Santa Barbara.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 19th day of May, 2015 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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