

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOULUTION FOR COMMENDATION FOR MIKE ELIASON EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, OCTOBER 2016

WHEREAS, Mike began his career with the Santa Barbara County Fire Department in 2012 as the department Public Education Officer (PEO), teaching fire safety to local schools, hosting Community Emergency Response Team classes in the community, and documenting major incidents through videos and photographs; and

WHEREAS, Mike's position has evolved into a dual role, continuing to function as the PEO, but additionally serving as Public Information Officer as needed, with duties that include gathering and disseminating information, photos and videos to local, regional, and national media through interviews and press releases; and

WHEREAS, Mike's photography skills have been recognized locally, nationally and internationally, and visitors to fire headquarters are always amazed and excited to see the collection of Mike's fire photographs that dot the walls, all of which were paid for out of Mike's own pocket; and

WHEREAS, Mike has been instrumental in the development of the in-house command staff videos; and

WHEREAS, Mike continuously works after hours to complete projects, represents the fire department in a positive and professional manner, and his enthusiasm and dedication to the department serves as an example to all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County recognizes Mike Eliason as the employee of the month for October 2016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 4th day of October 2016, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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