

OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

CARPINTERIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT UPON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Carpinteria County Water District was formed on February 13, 1941 in a direct response to a concern about groundwater levels in the Valley and the need to replenish and monitor this precious resource; and

WHEREAS, throughout the late 1940s, 1950s and early 1960s, many of the smaller private water companies in the Valley were incorporated into the District's service area - including the Shepard Mesa Water Company, the Ocean Oaks Water Company and the Carpinteria Water Company - which served the downtown portion of town; and

WHEREAS, with the completion of the Cachuma project in 1953, and the filling (and spilling) or the reservoir in April 1958, Carpinteria was poised to have sufficient water to meet growing demands. The 1960s and 1970s saw extensive land development in the Valley, and water demand was projected to reach 6,000 acre-feet annually by 1980. New water distribution pipelines were installed to meet new demands north of the freeway, while many older water lines were replaced in the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, in respond to the current historic drought, the Carpinteria Valley Water District and its customers have been leaders in conservation and securing a diverse water portfolio for the future, This includes researching the possibility of reclaiming approximately 1,000 acre feet per year of wastewater that currently flows into the ocean from the Carpinteria Sanitary District Wastewater Treatment Plant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors the Carpinteria Valley Water District upon 75 years of providing safe and reliable water to the Carpinteria Valley.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 1st day of November, 2016 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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