

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR MELINDA JEAN HAUSER, SENIOR DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER FOR 31 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS AND COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

WHEREAS, Melinda was born in Pasadena, California. Having graduated from Pasadena High School and attended Pasadena City College, she subsequently attended and graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara with Bachelor of Arts degrees in Developmental Psychology and Anthropology; and

WHEREAS, Melinda was employed by the Santa Barbara County School District, working as a Teacher's Assistant in various classrooms including the Autism Project and the Alternative School; and was subsequently employed as a Rehabilitation Assistant for the Santa Barbara Rehabilitation Hospital before working as a Health Care Assistant for Santa Barbara County Health Care Services; and

WHEREAS, Melinda began her career with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department in March of 1986, and has held many assignments throughout her career including Juvenile Placement Officer, Juvenile and Adult Investigations Officer, Juvenile Court Hearing Officer, and Supervision Officer for both juvenile and adult offenders. Melinda has been a trailblazer for the Department, as she was a member of the first team to implement the Substance Abuse Treatment Court, which was among the first drug courts in the nation, as well as the New Vistas collaborative project in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Melinda is commended for her faithful and dedicated service to the people of Santa Barbara County, and for having previously received the H. Thomas Guerry award in 1993 and 1997, as well as having been named the Deputy Probation Officer of the Year in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Melinda is looking forward to traveling; spending more time in her beautiful home city of San Buenaventura; enjoying more time with friends, family and creative pursuits; and finding new ways to be of service to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognize Melinda Jean Hauser for 31 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department, and extend to her best wishes for a fulfilling, enjoyable, and rewarding retirement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017 by the unanimous vote of all members present.

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