WHEREAS, Carrie Topliffe has diligently served the County of Santa Barbara for over 18 years, beginning her career in 2000 as a Cost Analyst in the Auditor Controller's Office, then enjoying a multi-departmental tour that included being an Assistant Director in the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Department (now Behavioral Wellness), an Interim Director for the Public Health Department, and the Director of the Department of Child Support Services; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Topliffe has spent 12 years of her County career as the Director of the Department of Child Support Services, a respected leader who infused the office environment with kindness, flexibility, and cultural awareness, who competently improved business practices through an emphasis on teamwork, staff training and high quality public service, and coached the Department through some harrowing technology projects including the implementation of a new statewide case management system and becoming paperless (even in court appearances and filings); and

WHEREAS, Carrie Topliffe supported County efforts in ways too numerous to count, including serving as the Chair of the Inter-Agency Policy Council, the 2007 Charitable Giving Campaign, and the Governmental Alliance on Race and Equity Team, as well as serving as a Public Information Officer in the Emergency Operations Center and a faculty member in the Employee's University; and

WHEREAS, Carrie Topliffe will be concluding her illustrious career with the County of Santa Barbara when she retires on June 1, 2018, leaving her additional time for creative and civic projects (that is, if she successfully avoids becoming a Personal Assistant to her busy husband Frank or daughter Nicole);

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors commends Carrie Topliffe for her faithful and distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County, congratulates her upon her retirement, and wishes her many years of continued good health and happiness.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15th day of May 2018, by unanimous vote of all members present.