

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Community Services

Department No.: 057

For Agenda Of: March 19, 2019
Placement: Departmental

Estimated Time: 30 MinContinued Item: N/A

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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Commission for Women 2019 Women's History Month Service Awards

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

N/A N/A

Other Concurrence:

N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Receive and file the Commission for Women's 2019 Women's History Month Service Awards Presentation

Summary Text:

One organization and one individual from each Supervisorial District will be honored. The following are the honorees for 2019:

1st District: Alison Hardy (Jeannine's Bakery) and LIFECHRONICLES & Kate Carter

2nd District: Suzanne Grimmesey & The Community Wellness Team

3rd District: Thekla Sanford & The Santa Ynez Valley Therapeutic Riding Program

4th District: Crystal Sullins & Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

5th District: Mayra Ramos & Lideres Campesinas Central Coast

Background:

The celebration of women and their historical contributions to society first began in 1911, with numerous European Nations formally recognizing March as "International Women's Day". In 1978 California's Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women first pioneered a celebratory week of Women in History to coincide with the established international recognition. Three years later, in 1981, the United States Congress went a step further by passing a resolution establishing a "National Women's History Week", where school and various other

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organizations would feature special projects, exhibitions, sponsored talks, and the distribution of materials honoring Women's History. Participation quickly spread and in 1987, Congress expanded the designated week to a month long commemoration.

Many outstanding local organization advocate for women and girls in need on a regular basis. To recognize, honor, and celebrate the achievements of these organizations, the County of Santa Barbara Commission for Women established the Women's History Month Service Awards. In honor of National Women's History Month, the Commission for Women annually celebrates the contributions women make every day throughout the Santa Barbara community.

Performance Measure: N/A

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: N/A

Key Contract Risks: N/A

Staffing Impacts: N/A

Special Instructions: N/A

Attachments:

Attachment A: Resolution copies of the 2019 Women's History Month Service Awards

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