

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING RON ZONEN UPON RECEIVING THE 2019 ANNE & MICHAEL TOWBES COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD

WHEREAS, Ron Zonen graduated from UCSB and Whittier College School of Law before joining the Santa Barbara District Attorney's office; and

WHEREAS, over 36 years he prosecuted some of the most interesting and high profile cases in Santa Barbara's history; and

WHEREAS, Ron headed the Vulnerable Victim's Unit responsible for all prosecutions of sex crimes, domestic violence, crimes against children and elder abuse. He was the co-founder of the SART (sexual assault response team) Unit at Cottage Hospital and has lectured frequently on prosecuting sex crimes; and

WHEREAS, Ron was awarded attorney of the year three times and is the recipient of the Thomas Guerry Award for Professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Ron has been a trustee of Santa Barbara's Jewish Federation for 20 years. He has been president, campaign chair, founder and co-chair of the SB Jewish Film Festival, co-chair of the SB Jewish Festival and most memorably he ran the latke booth at Fiesta. Ron has watched the Federation transform itself from a two room office to its current home on Chapala Street; and I

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors congratulates Ron Zonen upon receiving the 2019 Anne & Michael Towbes Community Leadership Award and thanks him for his meaningful work offering community programs and support services to children, seniors, and everyone in between.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15th day of October 2019, by unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

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Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District

ATTEST: Montheyes at Clerk of the Board