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RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR CUSTODY COMMANDER JAMES LOUIS METER UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, James Meter retired from County service on Sunday, March 8, 2020, having faithfully served the Sheriff's Office for over 29 years: and

WHEREAS, James Meter started his career with Santa Barbara County on April 30, 1990 as a Sheriff's Correction Officer. During his 29 years of service, he worked in the Main Jail, and was a part of the Administrative Investigations Team (AIT) and the Special Operations Response Team (SORT), steadily rising through the organization, attaining the rank of Custody Commander; and

WHEREAS, James Meter throughout his career, provided the employees of the Sheriff's Office positive leadership, training and professionalism. His contributions in the design of the Northern Branch Jail were essential in teaching the benefits of the direct supervision model; and

WHEREAS, James Meter provided the citizens of Santa Barbara County extraordinary professionalism, and sensitive custody and law enforcement service while dedicating his life to the pursuit of justice: and

WHEREAS, James Meter's knowledge, skills and experience contributed greatly to the overall professionalism and the goals of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office as well as the objectives of the County.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 10th day of March. 2020 by unanimous vote of all members present.

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