

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2020 AS ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, the month of October has been recognized as National Arts and Humanities Month by the White House and Congress for 35 years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors formed the County Arts Commission in 1977 to support, foster, and encourage participation in, and access to, arts and culture for all county residents; and

WHEREAS, art, culture and creative expression uniquely sustain and inspire local identity and belonging; acknowledge, celebrate and bridge differences; support equitable and resilient communities; reflect our shared humanity; help us to reimagine more just and inclusive futures; and

WHEREAS, the County Arts Commission established the Leadership in Arts Award in 2006 to honor individuals or organizations that have made a significant impact on the arts and culture of our region through visionary thinking and exemplary commitment to promoting, sustaining, and advancing our community through the Arts; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has selected Patricia Gregory and The Baker Foundation as the 2020 Leadership in Arts Award Recipient in recognition of the Foundation's long history of promoting and underwriting arts education and access to diverse types of arts throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Gregory and The Baker Foundation have supported equitable access to the arts countywide through grants and donations to organizations such as Ensemble Theater Company, the Granada Theater, Opera Santa Barbara, PCPA, Santa Barbara International Film Festival, Santa Barbara Symphony, Santa Barbara Youth Symphony, Solvang Festival Theater, State Street Ballet, and UCSB Arts & Lectures; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEARBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors proclaims October as National Arts & Humanities Month, and commends cultural practitioners, institutions and supporters such as the Baker Foundation for their vital role in improving the quality of life for all residents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 13th day of October 2020, by unanimous vote of all members present.

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