RESOLUTION HONORING GEORGE CURTIS TUNNELL ON HIS 100th BIRTHDAY

WHEREAS, **George Curtis Tunnell**, or better known as Curtis Tunell, a member of a respected Santa Maria pioneer family celebrates his 100th birthday on January 8th, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Curtis throughout his life has been viewed by all who know him as a Man of Substance, Integrity, and Immense Character, has worked tirelessly for the citizens of the City of Santa Maria and Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Curtis, to the great benefit of the citizens of the area, ran and was elected to the Santa Maria City Council in 1950 and served with the great distinction until 1962, which included several years as Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Curtis after his departure from the Council continued his distinguished service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County as a member of the Board of Supervisors, where he remained until 1975, including serving as Chair from 1969 to 1972; and

WHEREAS, Curtis's strategic thinking and vision was responsible for bringing much needed additional assets to the various venues in the county, i.e. Health, Public Safety, Supplemental Water, Public Works Projects, and many other worthwhile enterprises; and

WHEREAS, Curtis prior to his Public Service career was a well respected business man who was actively involved in making his community a better place for all its' inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, Tunnell Roofing Company started by Curtis in 1948, after three generations of Tunnells', is still providing outstanding roofing services to its customers; and

WHEREAS, Curtis is viewed by all in our valley as one of our greatest assets, on this his 100th Birthday, we thank him profusely for all he has done for us. He is without question, a "Man for all Seasons";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, Congratulate George Curtis Tunnell on his 100th Birthday, acknowledge his long devoted service to the residents of the County, and wish him continued happiness in 2010 and beyond. Passed and adopted this 12th of January 2010.