

# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION HONORING THE WINNERS  
OF THE LOMPOC ELKS PUBLIC SAFETY  
MEMBERS APPRECIATION AWARDS FOR 2010

WHEREAS, The Public Safety Members Appreciation Award winners are chosen from all the different public safety agencies in the Lompoc Valley. This year's winners representing Law Enforcement are: from the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Sheriff Christopher Heidt; from the California Highway Patrol, Buellton Station, Officer Scott Williams; from the Lompoc Police Department, Officer Mauricio Calderon; from the, Vandenberg Air Force Base 30<sup>th</sup> Security Squadron, Master Sergeant Jeffrey W. Jones and from the Bureau of Prisons, Lompoc, Correctional Counselor Michael Williams, and;

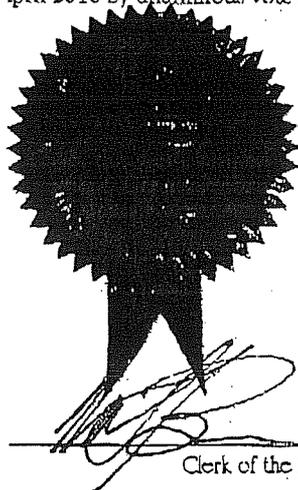
WHEREAS, this year's winners representing Fire Protection are: from the Santa Barbara County Fire Department, Fire Captain Ryan Hill; from the Lompoc Fire Department, Firefighter Ryan Ortiz and from the Vandenberg Air Force Base Fire Department, Sr. Airman Nicholas T. Ward, Firefighter, and;

WHEREAS, this year's winners representing Justice Administration are: from the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, Deputy Probation Officer Mathew Maxwell and from the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office, Deputy District Attorney Megan Kathleen Ross, and;

WHEREAS, this year there are 4 winners of the Valor Award: the first 3 winners are from the Lompoc Police Department; Officer David Lamar, Officer Mark Powell and Agent Joseph Stetz. These three brave men entered a burning trailer home and worked in tandem to rescue an elderly, handicapped woman who was trapped there. These officers typify the police motto of "To Protect and To Serve"; risking their own lives to save another. The 4<sup>th</sup> winner is Sr. Airman Talbert R. Kneppshield from the Vandenberg AFB, 30<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron, Vehicle Operations Flight. A registered Bone Marrow donor, Sr. Airman Kneppshield found out while deployed in Iraq he was a match for a patient in the U.S. With the help of the Air Force and the Army, he was able to return to the U.S. and undergo the procedure. The transplant was successful and Sr. Airman Kneppshield returned to Iraq to finish his deployment. Through his selfless sacrifice not only to his country, but to the bone marrow recipient, Sr. Airman Kneppshield epitomizes the Air Force core value of "Service Before Self", and;

WHEREAS, each winner exemplifies the highest professional & personal standards in work ethics, integrity, enthusiasm and dedication earning them the respect and admiration of the residents they serve, their peers and their superiors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes and honors the Employees of Law Enforcement, Fire Protection, and Justice Administration in the Lompoc Valley who have won the prestigious Lompoc Elks Public Safety Members Appreciation Award for 2010. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 2010 by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 2nd District

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