

OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR ROBERT DEL REAL, SUPERVISING PROBATION OFFICER FOR 30 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS AND COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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WHEREAS, Robert "Bob" Del Real was born and raised in Hanford California and attended High School in Santa Clara before entering in the United States Army in 1970, during the Vietnam Conflict where he served 18 months in Germany; and

WHEREAS, Bob attended college in Saratoga and East Los Angeles, earning his Associates Degree and co-owned an antique business in Hollywood for several years before relocating to Santa Barbara in 1980; and

WHEREAS, Bob began his career with the Santa Barbara County Probation Department in June 1980, as an extra-help Group Counselor at the Santa Barbara Juvenile Hall, and soon thereafter was hired full time in November; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Bob promoted to Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) in Adult Services, often appearing in the Solvang Court as the Probation Department's Court Hearing Officer, before transferring to Santa Barbara Adult Probation Services where he later served as an Investigator for the Santa Barbara Superior Court; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, Bob assumed the role of Juvenile Court Investigator and in 1994 was promoted to Senior DPO leading the Lompoc Counseling and Education Center in collaboration with education and mental health personnel; later returning to Santa Barbara where he continued his work with youth as the Gang Officer, in the Multi-agency Integrated System of Care (MISC), as Court Hearing Officer; and in the New Vistas Project; and

WHEREAS, in April 2002, Bob was promoted to Supervising DPO, assigned to the Santa Barbara Children's System of Care and continued his successful collaboration with multiple county agencies, departments, and community based organizations and in 2009 took leadership of the South County Court Services unit; and

WHEREAS, in March 2010, due to fiscal constraints, the Juvenile Supervision and Court Services units in Santa Barbara were combined and Bob was assigned to the oversight of this combined mega-unit, tackling this difficult assignment with focused professionalism: and

WHEREAS, Bob has worked tirelessly for the past 30 years, committed to improving troubled lives, maintaining a team atmosphere in all of his assignments, inspiring dedication in those he has worked with, as well as instilling a spirit of volunteerism in his colleagues;

WHEREAS, his colleagues in the Santa Barbara County Probation Department and the youth and families of our County, applaud Bob's commitment to rehabilitation and the field of Community Corrections; and

WHEREAS, Bob is the father of three adult children, Jeromy, Miranda, and Jamison who reside in Oregon, San Diego, and Santa Barbara, respectively, and with whom he plans to spend more time. Bob is excited and ready for the next phase of his life; however, it will not be complete until his wife, Jessica (Juvenile Court Clerk extraordinaire) joins him in retirement. In the meantime, he will enjoy gardening and fishing whenever the mood strikes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors recognizes Robert Del Real for 30 years of outstanding service to the citizens of Santa Barbara County and the Probation Department and wish him many happy adventures in

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 6th day of July 2010, by unanimous vote of all members present

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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