

Resolution The Board of Supervisors of Ventura County

Ventura County Commission for Women

On the Occasion of Its 30th Anniversary

WHEREAS, upon recommendation by the Ventura County Women's Equity Coalition and supported by 16 women's organizations and individuals, the Ventura County Commission for Women was established by the Ventura County Board of Supervisors on July 14, 1981 as a channel through which individuals and the many women's organizations in Ventura County could report to the Board of Supervisors as well as serve in an advisory capacity on conditions affecting the lives of women; and

WHEREAS, the Commission for Women studies conditions demonstrating discrimination due to sex or marital status, provides a coordinating function with respect to the many community groups working to improve the quality of life for women, and performs work assigned by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, formation supporters of the Commission for Women included the Ventura County Women's Lawyers Association, the National Women's Political Caucus, the American Association of University Women (Thousand Oaks, Simi Valley, Camarillo, Ventura), the Federally Employed Women of Ventura County, the Ventura County League of Women Voters, Ventura/Oxnard Chapter of N.O.W., Simi/Conejo Chapter of N.O.W., ACLU of Ventura County, Child Care Resource and Referral Center, Coalition Against Household Violence, Ventura County Rape Crisis Center, Conejo Community Services, Interface Community, Operation Breakthrough, National Women's Employment and Education, Child Abuse and Neglect, Domestic Violence Advisory Group, Voluntary Health Organizations (Heart Association, American Cancer Society, March of Dimes), Conejo Junior Women's Club, Business & Professional Women (Buena Center, Oxnard, Ventura, Golden Triangle), Professional Women's Council, Ventura County Women's Equity Coalition, Center for Employment Services; and

WHEREAS, individuals to be recognized on this thirtieth anniversary who have contributed to the development of the Commission for Women include: Ginny Connell, Bonnie Warrington, Cecilia Fargo, Lori Zarinopolis, Steve Wiman, Yvonne Bodle, Carol Kochekian, Maggie Erickson, Susan Lacey, Jean Getchell, Lynne R. Alfonso, Lee Anderson, Judy Wong, Elaine Freeman, Priscella Partridge-Rankin, Diana Goodrow, Jan Lawrence, Ina Howard, and Jo Anne Le Fils- Moore; and

WHEREAS, the Commission for Women has taken on the tasks of identifying existing child care resources and developing a countywide child care resource network, creating countywide awareness of women's issues through the Salute to Women Awards, Quality Child Care Month, and Women's History Month, and most recently with a countywide survey featuring the Status of Women and Girls in Ventura County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in honoring the Ventura County Commission for Women on the occasion of its thirtieth anniversary and wishes it many more years as a leading organization in the community for encouraging, supporting and facilitating the empowerment and education of Ventura County women.

> Chair of the Board of Supervisors Linda Parks, Supervisor 2nd District

PRESENTED THIS FIRST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2011

Steve Bennett

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John C. Zaragoza Supervisor 5th District