

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

\_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

PRESENT: Supervisors  
ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING STATE PARK SUPERINTENDENT ANDREW ZILKE FOR OVER 39  
YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY  
AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

**WHEREAS**, Andrew Zilke has managed the Oceano Dunes District of California State Parks in San Luis Obispo County for the past 13 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oceano Dunes District encompasses Pismo State Beach and Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area and hosts approximately two million visitors to San Luis Obispo County each year; and

**WHEREAS**, as a State Park Superintendent, Chief Ranger, and State Park Peace Officer (Ranger) for over 39 years, Andrew Zilke significantly contributed to the public safety of the people of San Luis Obispo County and the great State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Zilke has participated in and contributed to the high quality of Emergency Services in San Luis Obispo County through his collaborative efforts and leadership in countywide programs such as Diablo Canyon Nuclear Disaster Preparedness, Tsunami Disaster Planning, and daily Mutual Aid scenarios; and

**WHEREAS**, as a State Parks Cadet Training and Defensive Tactics Instructor since the inception of the program in 1979, Andrew Zilke has contributed experience, support and instructional efforts to establish the professionalism and basic training of over 500 Ranger and Lifeguard Cadets; and

**WHEREAS**, Andrew Zilke in both his role as a Staff Instructor and District Superintendent worked tirelessly to support and staff the new San Luis Obispo County State Parks Cadet Academy at Camp San Luis, graduating its first class in June 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, as the District Superintendent of the Oceano Dunes District, Andrew Zilke has successfully collaborated with stakeholders and regulatory agencies to insure protection of state and federally listed species including the western snowy plover and the California least tern; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure, the Oceano Dunes District plover and tern management program developed into a regionally unprecedented endangered species management program, recognized at local, state and even national levels as an innovative endangered species management effort; and

**WHEREAS**, Superintendent Andrew Zilke, having demonstrated a high degree of honesty, integrity and idealism in the face of adverse pressure; maintained high professional standards, despite pressure to compromise these standards; and demonstrated diplomatic defense against internal and external threats to the State Parks Mission was awarded the Director's Award for Professional Integrity; and

**WHEREAS**, Andrew Zilke is a respected leader and role model, his understanding and insightful approach along with his infectious sense of humor have allowed him to bridge gaps and create positive balanced solutions that support the larger common good.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby recognize State Park Superintendent Andrew Zilke for over 39 years of dedicated service to the citizens of San Luis Obispo County and the State of California, and

wishes him well in his retirement.

Upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by  
Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, and on the following

roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

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Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Clerk