

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

Seventh day of October, 2014

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING GERALD T. SHEA
FOR THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OF SERVICE
WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, Gerry Shea received his Undergraduate Degree from San Diego State University in 1971 and his Juris Doctor from Loyola University School of Law in 1974, and

WHEREAS, he began his prosecutorial career in 1974 as a Deputy Attorney General with the California Attorney General's Office; and

WHEREAS, he became a Deputy District Attorney with the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Office in 1977, became the Supervising Attorney for the Child Support Division of the District Attorney's Office in 1982, and in 1985 was selected to be Chief Deputy District Attorney responsible for the supervision of trial deputies and office operations; and

WHEREAS, Gerry was first elected District Attorney in 1998 by the voters of San Luis Obispo County, and re-elected in 2002, 2006, and 2010; and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, he has been instrumental in improving services to crime victims by establishing the Elder Abuse Advocacy Program in the Victim/Witness Division, the Elder Abuse Vertical Prosecution Program, and the county-wide Elder Abuse Task Force, by establishing the Child Abduction Investigation Unit, by establishing the Restitution Recovery Specialist Program, and by helping to establish the Child Abuse Interview Team Program (or CAIT); and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, he has been instrumental in establishing an Environmental Prosecution Program, a Financial Fraud Program, and a Real Estate Fraud Program in the District Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, he expanded the office's Juvenile Crimes Prosecution Team which, in conjunction with the Probation Department and other law enforcement agencies, has seen a 25% reduction in juvenile crime in the county since 1998; and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, his office has dramatically increased the number of law enforcement collaborative efforts and task forces with which it is involved from 10 to over 20 in the last 16 years; and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, his office has held violent perpetrators accountable over the past 16 years, including 64 murder convictions, thereby helping to contribute to a sense of justice for victims' families; and

WHEREAS, as District Attorney, his office has been run in a fiscally sound manner and has contributed significantly to the creation of a case tracking system which has been integrated with the other criminal justice partners in the county; and

WHEREAS, Gerry has served on the Board of Directors for the San Luis Obispo Women's Shelter, on the Executive Council for the County's Children's Services Network, on the Advisory Board for the statewide organization known as Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, as Chair of the Domestic Violence Task Force and former Chair of the Criminal Justice Administrators' Association, as a Founding Member of the County's Anti-Gang Coordinating Commission, and as President of the California District Attorneys Association; and

WHEREAS, Gerry has made an indelible mark on his colleagues, peers, fellow employees and the community at large for his accomplishments and commitment to excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby recognize Gerry Shea for his 37 years of exemplary public service to the County mission and the people of San Luis Obispo County;

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that Gerry is wished the best of health, happiness, and good fortune in his continued service and beyond.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted:

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk