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PROCLAMATION

Honoring the 60th Anniversary of The San Benito County Historical Society

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Historical Society began in the San Benito High School Choral Room sixty years ago on July 25, 1956.

WHEREAS, the mission of the San Benito County Historical Society is: To collect and preserve materials pertaining to the history of San Benito County. To promote an interest in and appreciation of the County's past, by providing programs that offer educational opportunities and experiences. To bring together for exchange of ideas those interested in history, especially that of San Benito County.

WHEREAS, the County of San Benito has provided the venues for the San Benito County Historical Society to accomplish its mission at the Wapple House Historical Museum and the San Benito County Historical and Recreational Park.

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Board of Supervisors historically and continually supports the efforts of the San Benito County Historical Society in its mission, programs, events, and activities.

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Historical Society provides access to historical documents, newspapers, and photos for historical and genealogical research under the direction of Research Volunteer Staff at the Wapple House Historical Museum on the second Monday of the month.

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Historical Society is grateful to the many community volunteers, organizations, and businesses that have supported the efforts of the Society with untold volunteer hours and donations of artifacts, stories, and financial support.

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Historical Society acknowledges and thanks the Community Foundation for San Benito County, the Monterey Peninsula Foundation, and the many local organizations and businesses which have provided grants for programs and facilities to continue the mission of the San Benito County Historical Society.

WHEREAS, the youth of San Benito County continue to benefit from the educational opportunities provided by the San Benito County Historical Society with tours of the Wapple House Historical Museum and the Historical Village at the San Benito County Historical and Recreational Park, special events like the annual Civil War Days and the Old Fashioned Bluegrass Festival, opportunities for Eagle Scout and Girl Scout Gold Award Projects, and programs partnering with the Gavilan College History Department.

WHEREAS, the community and visitors to San Benito County continue to benefit from the efforts of the San Benito County Historical Society, the R.E.A.C.H. San Benito Foundation, and the County of San Benito working together to enhance the San Benito County Historical and Recreational Park.

WHEREAS, the San Benito County Historical Society continues to provide historical perspective to park and recreation development and programs through its membership on the San Benito County Parks and Recreation Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the 60th Anniversary of the San Benito County Historical Society.

In witness of the approval of this proclamation by the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County on this 11th day of October 2016.

Robert Rivas, Chair
San Benito County Board of Supervisors