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August 21, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: PRESENTATION HONORING LEADERS IN THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS 1998 LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN

Dear Members of the Board:

I am pleased to have the opportunity to schedule a presentation recognizing members of our local law enforcement community for their participation in the 1998 Law Enforcement Torch Run benefitting the Special Olympics. The purpose of the Torch Run is to raise money for Special Olympics programs throughout Northern California while increasing community awareness of both the local Special Olympics and the efforts of local law enforcement officers.

During a six month fund raising and community awareness campaign, law enforcement personnel raised over \$30,000 for local Special Olympic athletes to participate in the Summer Games held in June. Law enforcement personnel exceeded their goal by selling Torch Run t-shirts, conducting Tip-A-Cop events and getting pledges for their run. Representatives from Santa Cruz County law enforcement agencies included personnel from the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, the City of Santa Cruz Police Department, Scotts Valley Police Department, Watsonville Police Department, University of California at Santa Cruz Police Department, Capitola Police Department, California Highway Patrol, and the State Parks Department. The countywide effort of eight agencies and over 300 personnel contributed to the outstanding success of the 1998 campaign.

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Today we have an opportunity to recognize ten individuals who participated as 1998 Law Enforcement Torch Run Leaders:

Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office Sheriff Mark Tracy Sergeant Tony Jack Detention Officer Sandy Fisher

Santa Cruz Police Department Chief Steve Belcher Sergeant Colleen McMahon Officer Jim Howes

Scotts Valley Police Department Chief Steve Walpole Detective Sergeant Harry Bidleman

State Parks Chief Ranger Bob Culbertson Officer Dave Matthews

Ms. Celeste Faraola, Regional Developmental Director for the Northern California/Monterey Bay Region of the Special Olympics, will also be here to participate in this presentation.

Sincerely,

JANET K. BEAUTZ, Chairperson

Board of Supervisors

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cc: Celesta Faraola, Special Olympics Award Recipients

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