Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board
FROM: Aeron Arlin Genet, Air Pollution Control Officer
CONTACT: Sara Hunt, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk (961-8853)
SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation for Departing Board Member

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt and present a Resolution of Appreciation to Helene Schneider for her service on the Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors.

DISCUSSION:

City of Santa Barbara Mayor Helene Schneider has served on the Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors for eight years. The attached resolution is intended to honor her service.
RESOLUTION

Whereas, Helene Schneider has a distinguished record of dedicated public service serving on the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors for 8 years; and

Whereas, during Helene Schneider’s tenure on the APCD Board, Santa Barbara experienced dramatic improvements in air quality, improving from a status of “severe nonattainment” of the federal ozone health standard to full compliance with all federal air quality health standards since 2012; and

Whereas, during Helene Schneider’s tenure on the APCD Board, she participated in the adoption of the Clean Air Plans of 2010 and 2013 and the Ozone Plan of 2016 to protect and improve the air quality of Santa Barbara County, as well as the 2012 inception of an Electric Vehicle Charging Station grant program to open an infrastructure between the tri-counties, and supported the creation of the Wood Smoke Reduction Program in 2017; and

Whereas, Helene Schneider has consistently supported the APCD’s successful efforts to reduce the air pollution emitted by ocean-going vessels that traverse the Santa Barbara Channel, by calling on the federal Environmental Protection Agency to work successfully for the implementation of international regulations, and by supporting the successful Vessel Speed Reduction incentive programs of 2014, 2016 and 2017 implemented by the APCD and partners; and

Now, Therefore, it is hereby resolved that the Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors expresses its appreciation to Helene Schneider for her dedication and service on the APCD Board and wishes her well in her future endeavors.

Passed and Adopted by unanimous vote of the APCD Board members present on January 18, 2018.

Attest:

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Clerk of the APCD Board     Chair
Resolution No.