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Board Agenda Item

TO: Air Pollution Control District Board

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SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation for Santa Barbara Car Free Project Partners on the

Occasion of the Project's Recognition with a National Clean Air Award

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution of Appreciation for Santa Barbara Car Free Project Partners.

DISCUSSION:

Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District was recently honored with a 2009 national Clean Air Excellence Award from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee for the District's Santa Barbara Car Free Project.

The District founded the Project in 1998 to reduce pollution from visitors' cars, and has led this voluntary partnership program ever since. It is a true community collaboration and would not be possible without the contributions of the more than 100 partners – businesses, organizations, and individuals – all working together for cleaner air, a healthier planet, and a more sustainable community. Attached you will find a partial list of our Santa Barbara Car Free partners.

We thank our Santa Barbara Car Free partners with a Resolution of Appreciation.



RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District founded the Santa Barbara Car Free Project in 1998 to reduce pollution from visitors' cars, and the Project would not be successful without the voluntary contributions of more than 100 community partners; and

Whereas, the District was honored for the Santa Barbara Car Free Project on May 26, 2010, in Washington, DC, with a 2009 national Clean Air Excellence Award in the "Community Action Category" by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee; and

Whereas, "Innovation and commitment are the keys to environmental progress, and our Clean Air Excellence Award winners are tremendous examples. As we look to the future, these winners will help lead the way toward cleaner air and a healthier environment," according to Gina McCarthy, EPA Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation; and

Whereas, Santa Barbara Car Free Project Partners exhibit tremendous support of the mission of clean air excellence with contributions of time, energy, enthusiasm, intelligence, and creativity to this ecotourism program.

Now, Therefore, it is hereby resolved that this District Board expresses its appreciation to Santa Barbara Car Free Project Partners for their multiple contributions to the Project, and for working together for cleaner air, a healthier planet and a more sustainable community.

Passed and Adopted by unanimous vote of the District Board of Directors present on June 17. 2010.

Clerk of the APCD Board Cha	iir olution No.