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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
MINUTE ORDER

TO:  FILE
FROM:  MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT:  Approve Special Recognition for Leroy Radanovich

RESOLUTION 08-573

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on December 9, 2008

ACTION AND VOTE:

Chair Turpin;
Approve Special Recognition for Leroy Radanovich

BOARD ACTION:  Rick Benson provided input on Leroy Radanovich’s services and many contributions to the County, including serving as a member of the Board of Supervisors, on the Planning Commission, and as Tourism Coordinator; and he advised that the Yosemite/Marioposa County Tourism Bureau paid for a special plaque.  (M)Pickard, (S)Fritz, Res. 08-573 was adopted authorizing the placement of the plaque in the Government Center plaza in recognition of Leroy Radanovich’s innumerable contributions and decades of dedicated service to the citizens of Mariposa County/Ayes: Unanimous. Each Board member commended Leroy for his service to the County.

9:50 a.m.  Recess for a medical emergency in the audience.

9:53 a.m. Chair Turpin commented on keeping good thoughts for Ken Gosting; and he advised that medical personnel were on their way and he commended them for their service.

Board members continued with their input commending Leroy Radanovich for his service to the County.

Input from the public was provided by the following:

Kimberly Coffman, representing Congressman Radanovich, presented Leroy Radanovich with a copy of an entry in the Congressional Record commending him for his service.

Eleanor Keuning noted that Leroy plays a “mean saxophone.”

Becky Crafts, Assessor-Recorder, provided input commending Leroy for his work with the Wagon Train event; stated she feels that he echoes what Mariposa is all about; and she noted that he took her wedding photographs and senior portrait.

MaryAnn Huff noted that he has many “girlfriends” and she is proud to be one of them; and as President of the Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce, she is grateful for his mentoring.

Kevin Shelton, Yosemite/Marioposa County Tourism Bureau, thanked him for sharing his stories; stated he means a lot to him and his family; and commented on his work with the Tourism Bureau and his wisdom.
Patti Radanovich, daughter, thanked Leroy for helping her and commented on his knowledge and passion for the community; and stated she is proud to be his daughter.

Jeff Hentz, Yosemite/Mariposa County Tourism Bureau Executive Director, expressed his appreciation for Leroy’s knowledge. Leroy commented on the selection of Jeff by the Tourism Board and noted that he is an important part of the community.

Jim Allen, retired Sheriff-Coroner and Supervisor-elect/District V, noted that Leroy took his wedding photographs; and thanked him for his support and advice and assistance with the Sheriff’s Department.

Ken Pulvino, Coulterville, stated he appreciates Leroy’s knowledge and ability to see things strategically and his inclusion of North County.

Marilyn Lidyoff, Administration/Business Development Coordinator, stated she feels that Leroy is amazing and she appreciates his assistance and mentoring.

Don Starchman commented on his first experience in meeting Leroy with processing photographs; and he thanked him for being a friend and a mentor.

Paul Hall commented on Leroy’s historical photograph collection and historical knowledge; and thanked him for his friendship.

Cathy Vinzant, Mountain Marketeer, thanked Leroy for being her first advertisement client and for being an inspiration.

Jen Neresian, Planner – on behalf of the National Park Service, recognized Leroy for his work on a regional basis and for his understanding of the tourism role.

Mike Coffield, former County Administrative Officer, commented on his introduction to Leroy through his newspaper column in 1993. With his appointment as Interim County Administrative Officer in 2006, he commended Leroy for his assistance, especially with tourism issues, and he thanked him for his service.

Candy O’Donel-Browne commented on Leroy’s career in the County and his love and passion for the community. She noted that he is respectful and supportive of everyone; and he makes things happen.

Dorothy Kuhnel, Mariposa County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, commented on Leroy’s passion and commitment for the County, and on being an historian.

Mark Rowney, MPUD General Manager, noted that Leroy has been a family friend for more than 52 years; and he thanked him for his involvement and support during his 31-year career. He noted that his support was a major factor in the success of the Saxon Creek project to bring water to the town of Mariposa.

Theresa Castaldi thanked Leroy for asking her to be on the Tourism Board; and for his support of Coyote Springs Ranch behind the scenes, including having his daughter’s wedding at the ranch. She noted that he has a big heart.

Jeff Green, Interim County Counsel, stated it was a privilege to serve as County Counsel while Leroy was on the Board of Supervisors. He noted that Leroy does not recognize the theory that you can not do something – if it was right for the County, Leroy found a way to do it. He noted that Leroy told him that quality people come in pairs; and he feels that has never been truer than with Leroy and Ellie Radanovich.

Leroy stated he feels that the quality of the community is in the people that are present; and he commented on the changes in the Sheriff’s Department over the years and of the importance to maintain a respected department.

10:25 a.m. The meeting was moved to the Government Center plaza and the cast-bronze plaque recognizing Leroy Radanovich was unveiled.

Cc: File
Dedicated to

LEROY RADANOVICH

In recognition of his innumerable contributions and decades of dedicated service to the citizens of Mariposa County

December 2008