PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NUMBER 2015-016

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING HEATHER BERNIKOFF
FOR HER SERVICE ON THE MARIPOSA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

WHEREAS, HEATHER BERNIKOFF was appointed to the Mariposa County Planning Commission on the 22nd day of October, 2013, to fill an unexpired term representing District III, under then-Supervisor Bibby; and

WHEREAS, HEATHER was reappointed on 24th day of February, 2015, to continue representing District III, under Supervisor Long; and

WHEREAS, HEATHER always took great pride in carrying out the tasks and responsibilities of a Planning Commissioner; she provided insightful input and helped the Planning Commission make critical decisions on projects, including but not limited, to minor and major subdivisions, land conservation act contracts, conditional use permits, variances, general plan/zoning amendments, lot line adjustments, time extension requests, and amended mining permits and reclamation plans; and

WHEREAS, while serving on the Planning Commission, HEATHER was involved with many significant issues and projects including the Historic Design Review project for site improvements at the St. Joseph’s Church, non-conforming use provisions for residential density, General Plan policies and Zoning Ordinance regulations for the processing of mining permits, rules of conduct and procedures for Planning Commission meetings, and the use of action minute format for Planning Commission meetings; and

WHEREAS, HEATHER’s professionalism, her conscientious approach to issues, her strong attention to detail, her commitment to the community and the planning process, and her concerns for clarity will be sorely missed on the commission. HEATHER was always prepared for Planning Commission meetings; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving on the Planning Commission, HEATHER was an active ex-officio member of the Mariposa County Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) and the Catheys Valley Community Planning Advisory Committee (CVCPAC), as well as an active member of the California County Planning Commissioners Association (CCPCA); and

WHEREAS, HEATHER educated herself regarding Planning in California, the California Environmental Quality Control Act (CEQA) and other California Land Development issues by attending various workshops, classes, webinars and conferences on her own time and at her own expense; and

WHEREAS, HEATHER was always available to speak to property owners, business owners and county citizens regarding the planning process and planning issues. HEATHER was particularly active regarding water and drought issues.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mariposa County Planning Commission that HEATHER BERNIKOFF is hereby recognized for her dedicated and outstanding service to the Mariposa County Planning Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Planning Commission this 18th day of December, 2015, by unanimous vote.

RENEA KENNEC, District I Commissioner

MARK S. BECKER, District II Commissioner

LARRY HARRIS, District IV Commissioner

DONN HARTER, District V Commissioner