

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Bruce Kranz, Supervisor District 5
Mike Boyle, Assistant County Executive Officer

DATE: June 24, 2008

SUBJECT: **COMMENDATION** – Approve a Commendation congratulating the Kershner family, owners of Wild Things, Incorporated on their 20 year anniversary as a wildlife rescue and education facility in Placer County.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a Commendation congratulating the Kershner family, owners of Wild Things, Incorporated on their 20 year anniversary as a wildlife rescue and education facility in Placer County.

BACKGROUND

The Board is being asked to approve a Commendation honoring the Kershner family, owners of Wild Things, Incorporated. This year, Wild Things, Incorporated will celebrate their 20 year anniversary providing care to injured or displaced wild animals that can no longer live on their own in their natural habitats. The Kershner family has developed an educational program using the animals at their facility to teach children and the public about wild animals and how to live with them. They share the stories of how each animal came to live at their facility and the importance of being environmentally sensitive to all living things so as not to disrupt nature's way of life. Each year, they present their program to hundreds of thousands of school-aged children. Wild Things Incorporated care for the animals as a family at their home in Weimar, California located in Placer County.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

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COMMENDATION

In the Matter of a Commendation
congratulating Wild Things, Incorporated
on their 20 year anniversary as a wildlife
rescue and education facility in Placer County.

WHEREAS, Wild Things, Incorporated is a family owned and operated
non-profit wildlife rescue facility in Placer County; and

WHEREAS, Wild Things, Incorporated was founded by the Kershner
family in 1987 and incorporated in 1988; and

WHEREAS, this year, 2008 marks the 20 year anniversary of Wild
Things, Incorporated with a celebration planned in the Colfax/Weimar
area to commemorate 20 years of educating the public and caring for
injured or displaced wild animals that can no longer live on their own in
the wild; and

WHEREAS, the Kershner family provides a home with love and care
for over 60 species of wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Wild Things, Incorporated educates hundreds of thousands
of school children every year about the wonders of wildlife not only in
far away places but living in their own backyards; and

WHEREAS, it is hoped that through their educational presentations and
the hands-on experiences offered to the public and school-aged children
that everyone will gain a greater appreciation for our natural
environment and make decisions that will benefit the earth.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, the Placer
County Board of Supervisors does hereby congratulate the Kershner
family, owners of Wild Things, Incorporated on their 20 year
anniversary as a wildlife rescue and education facility in Placer County
and thanks them for their hard work and sacrifice to educate the public
and children about wild animals through their care and presentations
using animals living in the Wild Things, Incorporated rescue facility.

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