State of California
Air Resources Board
RESOLUTION 05-39

WHEREAS, Barbara Riordan is the Air Resources Board’s most experienced member, appointed to serve by both Governors Pete Wilson and Arnold Schwarzenegger, in 1991 and 2004, respectively;

WHEREAS, Ms. Riordan, who holds a general secondary and lifetime teaching credential, brings to the Board such teacherly skills as patience, humor, equanimity, knowledge, sincerity, balance, and the skill of active listening;

WHEREAS, Barbara’s experience as the former Chairwoman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors served the Board well during her tenure as Acting Chair, from November 1998 to February 1999, and from January 2005 to July 2005;

WHEREAS, Barbara’s ability to assimilate great quantities of information quickly; to cut to the chase and ask all the right questions; to give the impression of relaxation while acting with great efficiency; to make each speaker feel his/her remarks are valuable; to respect and weigh diverse points of view; and to carry herself with unhurried graciousness, while balancing numerous tasks that brought out the best of fellow Board members, staff, and the citizens who appeared before the Board;

WHEREAS, Ms. Riordan’s voluntary service as Chairwoman is completed and she will remain on the Board as the District member representing the Mojave District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board applauds Barbara for her exemplary work as Madame Chairman and appreciates her nurturing and capable leadership during the times we were orphaned.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Barbara’s colleagues on the Board look forward to continuing to work with her in the future to address California’s air quality and affirm our good fortune in having her as a member.

Executed at Sacramento, California, on this 21st day of July 2005.

Cindy K. Tuck
Chair

Sandra Berg
Dorene D’Adamo

Ronald O. Loveridge
Barbara Patrick