



**Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History
100th Anniversary**

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, founded in 1916, aims to spark curiosity and ignite a passion for nature by expand our understanding of the natural world, share the process of discovery, and communicate the interconnectedness of all species; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History promotes the preservation of the Earth's natural systems as an urgent priority and fosters a sense of collective responsibility, necessary for maintaining biodiversity and for the well-being of our own species; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History is a community resource and a welcoming, accessible center for community engagement that uses the full range of the human experience to reach and connect people of all ages and backgrounds, transcending geographic, economic, and cultural boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History strives to encourage community involvement and foster an appreciation for Santa Barbara's distinct natural history through its substantial collections and research, exhibits, public education events and lectures, and public school programs.

NOW, THEREFORE I, MAYOR HELENE SCHNEIDER, by virtue of the authority invested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby acknowledge and thank the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History for its 100 years of service of providing science and nature education to generations of visitors throughout California. The Museum's mission to inspire a thirst for discovery and a passion for the natural world has created an impact in Santa Barbara and beyond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 1st day of March 2016.

**HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR**