



County of Ventura

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

HONORING

Kingsmen Volleyball Team
California Lutheran University
2024 NCAA Division III National Champions

Whereas, THE MEN'S KINGSMEN VOLLEYBALL TEAM WAS FORMED IN 2015 AT CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY AND ENTERED THE NCAA AS A NOVICE AND WALKED AWAY AS NATIONAL CHAMPIONS; AND

Whereas, THE CHAMPIONSHIP WAS ACHIEVED BY SWEEPING VASSAR COLLEGE 25-22, 25-23, 25-23 IN THE FINALS IN IOWA; AND

Whereas, THE KINGSMEN COINED THE PHRASE "17 STRONG" TO CELEBRATE THE 17 PLAYERS ON THE TEAM WHO GAVE THEIR ALL AS A TEAM, SHARING THE GOAL OF WINNING THE CHAMPIONSHIP THROUGH THEIR CAMARADERIE AND PASSION FOR THE SPORT; AND

Whereas, THE TEAM'S MOST OUTSTANDING PLAYER OF THE SEASON, SENIOR MICHAEL STAHL, WHO PLAYED THE FINAL GAME THROUGH THE PAIN OF AN INJURED FOOT, GAVE FULL CREDIT TO THE DETERMINATION AND DRIVE OF HIS TEAMMATES FOR THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENT; AND

Whereas, BECAUSE THERE ARE FEW DIVISION III MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAMS ON THE WEST COAST, THE TEAM HAD TO TRAVEL ACROSS THE NATION TO COMPETE; AND

Whereas, THIS TEAM'S LEADERSHIP IN THE SPORT OF VOLLEYBALL MAY PROVIDE A CATALYST FOR OTHER WEST COAST SCHOOLS TO FOLLOW SUIT AND ALLOW FOR THE GROWTH OF THE SPORT AT OTHER SCHOOLS ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA; AND

Whereas, THROUGH TEAM PLAY, THE PLAYERS LEARNED THE VALUE OF SACRIFICE AND THE SUPPORT OF TEAMMATES WAS EQUALLY AS IMPORTANT AS SCORING.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, THAT THE VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EXPRESSES ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO THE COACHES AND MEMBERS OF THE KINGSMEN VOLLYBALL TEAM ON THEIR 2024 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

Presented on this 4thst Day of June 2024

Chairman of the Board, Kelly Long, Supervisor 3rd District

Jeff Gorch, Supervisor 2nd District
Matt LaVergne, Supervisor 3rd District
Janice S. Parvin, Supervisor 4th District
Vianey Lopez, Supervisor 5th District