

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
THE DAY OF MAY SIXTH
AS NATIONAL NURSES DAY
AND THE WEEK OF MAY 6 -12, 2008
AS NATIONAL NURSE WEEK**

WHEREAS, nurses are an indispensable component in the health care delivery system; and

WHEREAS, nurses provide both preventative and restorative health care to people of all ages, diverse backgrounds and cultures in varied clinical settings; and

WHEREAS, nurses, irrespective of setting, are advancing in their technical skills; and

WHEREAS, nurses are a key component of the workforce in times of disaster responding to provide care and enabling communities, families and individuals to recover;

WHEREAS, nurses collaborate with emergency workers from other disciplines to enhance the emergency response infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, nurses use their knowledge and compassion to make a difference to people who may be displaced from their homes, injured, afraid, or ill during an emergency; and

WHEREAS, the theme for National Nurses Week 2008, “Nurses: Making a Difference Every Day” is the celebration of the ways in which nurses strive to provide safe and quality care to our communities as well as to people of all ages, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does observe the sixth day of May 2008 as National Nurses Day, and the week of May sixth through May twelfth as National Nurses Week in recognition of the contributions of all nurses and nursing support staff working in all of our educational and health care settings in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this sixth day of May 2008, by a unanimous vote of all members present.