

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
THE MONTH OF APRIL 2012 AS
NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH
AND THE WEEK OF APRIL 2-8, 2012 AS
NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK**

*WHEREAS, April is National County Government Month with the theme of "Healthy Counties/Healthy Families"; and
WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County takes seriously its responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of residents; and*

WHEREAS, children and children's health are priorities in Santa Barbara County with key programs and services in Public Health, Social Services, First 5, ADMHS, Child Support Services, Probation, and other Departments; and

WHEREAS, County departments work closely with municipalities, non-profit agencies, schools, medical providers, and other organizations to coordinate and provide safety net services; and

WHEREAS, the first week of April is celebrated as "National Public Health Week" throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department's mission is to improve the health of our communities by preventing disease, promoting wellness, and ensuring access to needed health care; and

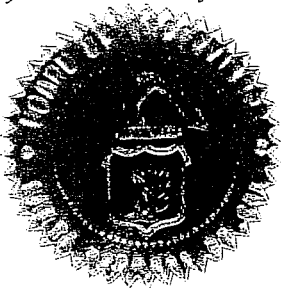
WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of area residents benefit from Public Health programs and services, including Communicable Disease Control, Environmental Health, Animal Services, Tobacco Prevention, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health, and Disaster Preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department provides medical care at health care centers throughout the county, serving over 33,000 uninsured and underinsured residents and providing more than 127,000 patient visits each year; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Public Health Week and National County Government Month a variety of health promotion activities and services, such as the Best Practices in Health Promotion conference, are being offered by the Public Health Department and other organizations throughout the county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby observe the month of April 2012 as National County Government Month, and the week of April 2nd through April 8th, 2012 as National Public Health Week, in recognition of the role of county government in promoting health and the contributions of the Public Health Department and other organizations and individuals working in prevention and health care settings in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this third day of April 2012, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chanda Waller
Clerk of the Board

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