



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2021 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

*WHEREAS, in the U.S., one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime and when breast cancer is detected early, in a localized stage, the five-year survival rate is 98%; as a result, women should work with their medical providers to establish a plan to detect the disease in the early stages, which includes regular mammograms, clinical breast exams, and self-breast exams; and*

*WHEREAS, health care plans cover preventive services such as breast exams, the Public Health Department's Every Woman Counts program provides support for breast cancer screenings and diagnostic services for low-income women who do not have resources for this important service; and*

*WHEREAS, in the past fiscal year, Santa Barbara County Every Woman Counts health educators provided 284 Tri-County individuals with breast cancer education and referrals to free screenings; in addition, providers whom partnered with Every Woman Counts, conducted free breast cancer screening and diagnostic services for 10,042 Tri-County individuals; and*

*WHEREAS, in the past fiscal year, Santa Barbara County's Every Woman Counts has provided 44 Tri-County women with patient navigation services from the program's nursing staff to support patient compliance and eliminate barriers to timely screening, completion of diagnostic testing, and facilitating referral for treatment; and*

*WHEREAS, we are in support of Santa Barbara County's Every Women Counts prevention efforts.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors does proclaim the month of October 2021 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month to promote the health of all residents in the County of Santa Barbara.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: *Donna Lopez*  
Clerk of the Board

*Das Williams*  
Supervisor - 1st District

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Supervisor - 3rd District

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Supervisor - 4th District

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