

IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 1-16, 2011 AS BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week is one of the largest mobilization efforts of federal and state government agencies, community-based organizations and volunteers in the Americas, to improve the health and well-being of the underserved Latino population living and working in the United States and Canada; and

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week fosters civic engagement by bringing together thousands of volunteers through networks of agencies and community organizations with the purpose of reaching out to our most vulnerable residents, to provide crucial health education and preventative care; and

WHEREAS, during Binational Health Week in 2010 an estimated 3,973 activities were held, benefiting 734,657 people as well as millions more who received health information through over 500 press events. Furthermore, participation included 10,133 agencies and 15,877 volunteers led by 150 consulates, working together with 178 planning committees, through five national bilingual campaigns which increased community awareness about H1N1, Preparing for Public Health Emergencies, Prevention of Addiction, Nutrition, Stroke and Living Green; and

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week provides an opportunity to highlight critical health issues in Santa Barbara County and throughout the United States while also serving as the basis for future bilateral efforts to ensure the health and well-being of all individuals and families in the community; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims October 1-16, 2011 as Binational Health Week in Santa Barbara County and encourages its residents to participate in events that promote and enhance the health and well-being of our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this  $1^{st}$  day of November, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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