

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF RATIFYING
PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE
OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY CAUSED BY
REFUGIO BEACH OIL SPILL**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, Government Code, Sections 8558 and 8630, et seq., and Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code empower the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days; and

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2015 an onshore pipeline on the Gaviota Coast ruptured and released oil and potentially other hazardous substances into the Pacific Ocean. The size of the spill is estimated to be up to 2500 barrels (105,000 gallons). The release extends for nine miles along the Gaviota Coast. This event has been named the Refugio Beach Oil Spill.

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within this County, caused by the Refugio Beach Oil Spill; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2015, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Santa Barbara proclaimed the existence of a local emergency within Santa Barbara County as a result of the Refugio Beach Oil Spill. The Board of Supervisors was not in session at that time. A copy of the “Proclamation of Local Emergency by Director of Emergency Services” is attached; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2015, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to assist the response to the Refugio Beach Oil Spill; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds these conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the ratification of the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency with regards to the Refugio Beach Oil Spill.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the proclamation of the existence of an emergency as issued by the Director of Emergency Services with regards to the Refugio Beach Oil Spill, is ratified by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, California

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this _____ day of May, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

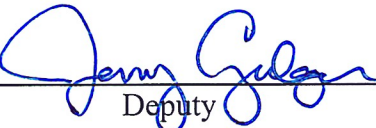
ABSENT:

**Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara**

ATTEST:
MONA MIYASATO
CLERK OF THE BOARD

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI
COUNTY COUNSEL

By  _____
Deputy

RYAN ROCKABRAND
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

By _____