

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA



A Proclamation for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Santa Barbara County

Whereas, Cancer is a group of diseases characterized by uncontrolled growth and spread of abnormal cells which, if not controlled, can result in premature death; and

Whereas, Cancer is predicted to strike one out of every three Americans sometime in our lifetime with an estimated 142,085 new cases of cancer diagnosed in California in 2008; and

Whereas, Approximately 1,725 new cases of cancer are estimated to occur in Santa Barbara County in 2008, and 655 in Santa Barbara County citizens are expected to lose their battle with cancer this year; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is the nation's largest and most respected voluntary health organization since 1913 and has funded research which has contributed to every known method for detecting cancer and techniques for treating cancer: thereby increasing the cancer survival rates from 10% to over 65%; and

Whereas, The American Cancer Society is a voluntary community-based coalition of local citizens dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem through financial support and education awareness; and

Whereas, the color purple is the signature color of the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life events signifying the passion that cancer survivors and their families and loved ones feel for the eradication of this disease, and

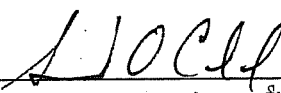
Whereas, the RELAY FOR LIFE event financially benefits the American Cancer Society's research and patient support programs, and educationally benefits our local citizens; and

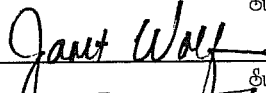
Whereas, the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Santa Barbara County is a community event that allows an opportunity to network with businesses, associates, family and friends, with the same goal of making a difference in the battle against cancer;

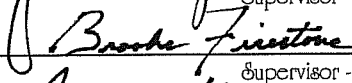
Now therefore, We the Board of Supervisors County of Santa Barbara, State of California, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM May 1, 2007 as PAINT OUR TOWN PURPLE DAY; and May 3-4th Santa Barbara, May 17-18th Lompoc, June 21-22nd Carpinteria and July 12-13th Santa Maria's, RELAY FOR LIFE Days throughout Santa Barbara County. We further will urge all citizens to recognize and participate in these anticancer campaigns held in your community. Signed this 22nd day of April, 2008 by all members present.

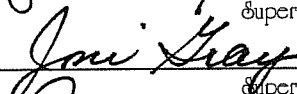



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