



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER AND THE FIRST WEEK OF DECEMBER 2006 AS NATIONAL HOME CARE & HOSPICE MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, Home Care & Hospice services provide high quality and compassionate health care services to those in need, especially at times of community or personal health care crisis; and,

WHEREAS, Home Care & Hospice services in the United States are a growing alternative to hospitalization or other institution-based forms of health care for acute, chronic or terminal illnesses; providing care to millions of Americans each year; and,

WHEREAS, Home Care is the most preferred method of health care delivery among disabled, elderly and chronically ill individuals eager to live independently in their own homes as long as they possibly can. Home care provides skilled medical care, rehabilitation therapies and daily living assistance thus allowing the families to stay together and providing for greater health, dignity and comfort in our communities; and,

WHEREAS, The goal of Hospice services is to provide compassionate and supportive care to terminally ill patients and their families. Through expert medical care, symptom & pain management, respite care, emotional support and bereavement services, Hospice staff strive to bring comfort, support & dignity to the end of life; and,

WHEREAS, Thousands of everyday heroes such as Home Care & Hospice professionals and volunteers work tirelessly to provide professional health and palliative care and support to millions of Americans in need of quality health services. These dedicated people form a support network that continues to play a vital role in health care delivery for our nation's disabled, infirm, aging and terminally ill populations; and,

WHEREAS, CHW Marian Home Care & Hospice, the National Association of Home Care & Hospice, and thousands of home care & hospice agencies across the United States have declared the month of November and the first week of December 2006 as National Home Care & Hospice Month and call upon all Americans to observe this occasion with appropriated ceremonies and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims the month of November and the first week of December 2006 as NATIONAL HOME CARE & HOSPICE MONTH in Santa Barbara County, PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 5th day of December, 2006 by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District
Supervisor - 2nd District
Supervisor - 3rd District
Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District