

OUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA **CALIFORNIA** RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION FOR

EMS/PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS TEAM EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, SEPTEMBER 2009

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services system ensures that quality care is provided for injured and ill residents prior to and during transport to area hospitals; and

WHEREAS, preparing for public health emergencies is key to preventing injuries, illness, and loss of life for County residents; and

WHEREAS, the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team of Nancy Lapolla, Dr. Angelo Salvucci, Jan Koegler, Reggie Vaughn, Marc Burdick, John Eaglesham, Jessica Osborn and David Tetrick have worked to ensure quality, rapid response to emergencies of all types; and

WHEREAS, the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team coordinated medical health disaster responses to the Gap, Tea, and Jesusita Fires, the H1N1 Pandemic, the Isla Vista Halloween event, as well as successfully conducted multiple mass flu vaccination operations with thousands of County participants; and

WHEREAS, the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team was recently honored by the California Department of Public Health for their capable planning for, and response to, wildfires and the novel H1N1 pandemic influenza; and

WHEREAS, the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team established a public-private partnership to increase membership and establish a cache of disaster supplies to assist the County and the Medical Reserve Corps in responding to disasters; and

WHEREAS, the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team's ongoing efforts protect the health and safety of all County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of County of Santa Barbara does hereby honor the EMS/Public Health Preparedness Team as the County of Santa Barbara Employees of the Month for September 2009.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 1st day of September, 2009, by unanimous vote of the members present.

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District