

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
THE DAY OF MAY 6, 2014 AS NATIONAL NURSES' DAY
AND THE WEEK OF MAY 6-12, 2014 AS NATIONAL NURSES' WEEK**

WHEREAS, nurses are recognized for their contributions to the health care system, both in their role as expert clinicians in diverse care settings and as leaders who can dramatically influence the quality of care and overall performance of the healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, nursing is the largest of the health care professions, and continues to grow with more job growth projected in nursing than in any other occupation between 2008 and 2018; and

WHEREAS, the nursing profession plays an essential role in improving patient outcomes, increasing access, and reducing health care costs; and

WHEREAS, everyday, nurses step forward embracing new technologies, resolving emerging issues, and accepting ever-changing roles in their profession. They lead the way for their patients, colleagues, organizations, and the health care industry as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the theme for National Nurses' Week 2014, "Nurses Leading the Way", highlights the dedication, commitment, and tireless efforts of the nearly 3.1 million registered nurses nationwide to promote and maintain the health of communities in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does observe the sixth day of May 2014 as National Nurses' Day, and the week of May sixth through May twelfth as National Nurses' Week in recognition of the contributions of all nurses working in all of our health care and educational settings and in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this sixth day of May 2014 by a unanimous vote of all members present.