

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 12 TO 18, 2017
NURSE PRACTITIONERS WEEK
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners (NPs) are advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) who have advanced clinical education and training building upon their initial registered nurse preparation; and there are 234,000 licensed nurse practitioners in the United States, and approximately 22,000 in California providing primary, acute and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life; and

WHEREAS, nurse practitioners diagnose, treat and prescribe medications and other treatments to patients through a caring, patient-centered, holistic model of care; and

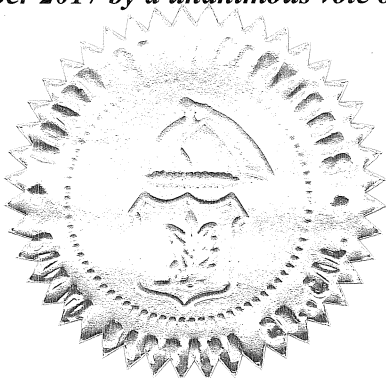
WHEREAS, better utilization of nurse practitioners through modernized state laws and improved system policies creates better health through a more accessible, efficient, cost-effective and higher quality health care system; and

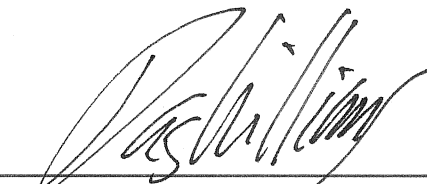
WHEREAS, 22 states and the District of Columbia have implemented Full Practice Authority for nurse practitioners, granting patients full and direct access to the outstanding care offered by these health care providers; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County is proud to recognize and honor the service of nurse practitioners to our county;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors hereby declare November 12 – 18, 2017, as Nurse Practitioner Week in Santa Barbara County in recognition of the countless contributions that nurse practitioners have made over the past half century and will continue to make to the health and well-being of citizens in our state.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 14th day of November 2017 by a unanimous vote of all members present.






Supervisor - 1st District



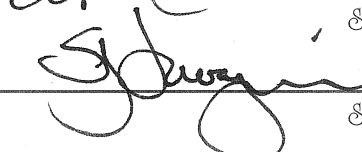
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Supervisor - 4th District



Supervisor - 5th District

ATTEST: 
Clerk of the Board