

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF FERRILARY 2012 CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2012
AS AMERICAN HEART MONTH AND
THE DAY OF FEBRUARY 14, 2012
AS "HANDS ONLY" CPR TRAINING DAY

WHEREAS, February is designated as American Heart Month by the American Heart Association to increase awareness about heart disease prevention and the behaviors that promote heart health; and

WHEREAS, heart disease is the leading cause of death nationally and locally, with an estimated 630,000 deaths per year in the U.S. and over 700 deaths per year in Santa Barbara County, with approximately 200 cardiac arrest victims being treated locally each year by the emergency medical services system; and

WHEREAS, the prompt delivery of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) more than doubles a cardiac arrest victim's chance of survival by helping maintain vital blood flow to the heart and the brain; and

WHEREAS, smoking, unhealthy diet, and lack of physical activity contribute to heart disease; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department is committed to reducing heart disease through prevention programs and performance improvement strategies; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2012, the Emergency Medical Services Agency, in collaboration with local hospitals and first responders, will be conducting community "Hands Only" CPR training to the public to help increase cardiac victims' survival.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby observe the month of February, 2012 as American Heart Month, and the day of February 14, 2012 as "Hands Only" CPR Training Day in an effort to prevent heart disease, save lives and respond effectively to those who experience cardiac arrest in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this seventh day of February, 2012, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor 2nd Distr

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

ATTEST: Chandra Wallon
Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 5th District