

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
2007 SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
CHARITABLE GIVING CAMPAIGN
'GIFTS OF GRATITUDE'

WHEREAS, today marks the start of the Santa Barbara County Charitable Giving Campaign that concludes on October 31, 2007, a season of generosity when more than one quarter of the County workforce is expected to sign up for payroll deductions, their hard-earned dollars designated to help some of our neediest residents, pioneer health advances, and improve the planet.

WHEREAS, this campaign will be known as "Gifts of Gratitude," and will represent contributions made freely and joyously by County employees out of appreciation for the richness of their lives and the desire to augment their public service with private gifts to United Way, non-profit organizations, Earth Share, and Community Health Charities.

WHEREAS, this outpouring of financial support will result in gifts in excess of \$285,000, once again earning Santa Barbara County employees acclaim – and a United Way trophy -- as the most generous group of people working in the county.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Santa Barbara declares September 11, 2007 the kick-off of its Gifts of Gratitude Charitable Giving Campaign, and celebrates its employees and the many private and public efforts they make towards building vital and safe neighborhoods, supporting and strengthening families, promoting self-sufficiency, assisting vulnerable, disabled and aging populations, feeding the hungry, improving and preserving the environment, and promoting health and well-being for all.