

OUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JULY 2012 AS PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

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WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation facilities of Santa Barbara County are some of our most community's most important assets that serve to improve the mental and physical health of all residents; and

WHEREAS, 98% of California households indicated they visited a local park at least once in the past year; most often visiting a park with family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Parks provide access to the serenity and the inspiration of nature and outdoor spaces to play and exercise; and

WHEREAS, Parks preserve and protect the historic, natural and cultural resources in our community; and

WHEREAS, the use of County Parks and Recreation facilities fosters human development, providing positive alternatives for children and youth of all ages as they learn to participate in outdoor and other educational activities that are part of the foundation of productive and active citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Parks and Recreation offer places, spaces and programs that facilitate social connections, human development, therapy, the arts, and lifelong learning while also strengthening our community image, sense of place and cultural unity; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Santa Barbara County residents benefit from the wide range of services, facilities and programs including Nature Cruises, Junior Rangers and the Nature Center provided by Cachuma Lake Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara urges all its residents to recognize that parks and recreation enriches the lives of its residents and visitors as well as adding value to the community's homes and neighborhoods;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOVLED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County proclaims the Month of July 2012 as Parks and Recreation Month, and in doing so, urges all citizens to use and enjoy our parks, trails and other recreational opportunities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 10th day of July 2012, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Clerk of the Board

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Supervisor - 3rd District

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Supervisor - 5th District