



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 20-26, 2006 AS ORCHID WEEK

*WHEREAS, The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, first organized by the Santa Barbara Horticultural Society in 1945, has been honoring orchid growers and their finest plants for 61 years; and*

*WHEREAS, Orchid growing in Santa Barbara took root at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, when wealthy industrialists came to this area and commissioned world-class horticulturists and landscape architects to design elaborate gardens on their estate; and*

*WHEREAS, Several leading growers established some of the country's finest orchid breeding collections, laboratories and nursery facilities here in Santa Barbara County; and*

*WHEREAS, Orchid cultivation in Santa Barbara County has continued to expand into the 21<sup>st</sup> century, resulting in a local industry that currently sells \$12.6 million of potted orchid plants and cut orchid flowers annually; and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the important cultural contribution of the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show and the essential function of orchid horticulture in this region; and*

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED**, that this Board of Supervisors designates the week of March 20-26, 2006 as Orchid Week in the County of Santa Barbara, honoring area orchid growers and the vibrant role they play in our community, and urging local residents to attend the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show on March 24-26.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this twenty-first day of March, 2006 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District  
  
Supervisor - 2nd District  
  
Supervisor - 3rd District  
  
Supervisor - 4th District  
  
Supervisor - 5th District