

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JUNE 4, 2021 AS WEAR ORANGE DAY AND JUNE 5-6, 2021 AS NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS WEEKEND IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, gun violence is the cause of nearly 40,000 deaths annually in the United States, which includes homicides, suicides, accidents and other causes; and

WHEREAS, June 4 is recognized as Wear Orange Day and June 5-6, 2021 is recognized as Gun Violence Awareness Weekend across the U.S. and all are encouraged to wear orange to support common sense solutions that will save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Wear Orange campaign was started by high school students from the Southside of Chicago to commemorate the loss of their fifteen-year-old classmate, Hadiya Pendleton, who was shot and killed just one week after performing at President Obama's 2nd inaugural parade in 2013; and

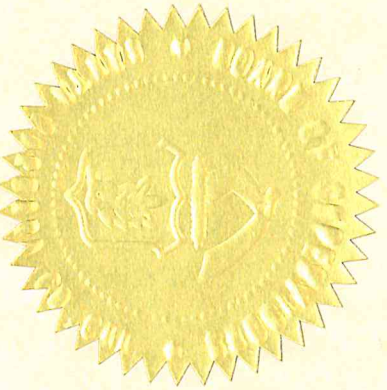
WHEREAS, after her death, these students asked us to stand up, speak out, and Wear Orange to raise awareness about gun violence. The color orange was selected because it is the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others; and

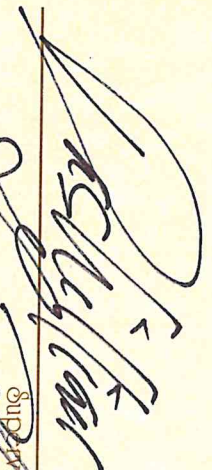
WHEREAS, our community of Isla Vista and Santa Barbara County continue to grieve from the mass shooting seven years ago on May 23, 2014, killing six people and injuring thirteen others; and

WHEREAS, the Gun Violence Restraining Order, adopted in the California following the Isla Vista shooting, allows family members, household members, colleagues, and law enforcement to work with courts to temporarily remove guns and prevent the purchase of new guns by individuals who pose a significant risk of harm to themselves or others; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes June 4, 2021 as "Wear Orange Day" and June 5-6, 2021 as "Gun Violence Awareness Weekend" in Santa Barbara County and encourages all residents to remember the victims of gun violence and to bring more awareness to gun violence.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 15th day of June, 2021.




Supervisor - 1st District


Supervisor - 2nd District


Supervisor - 3rd District


Supervisor - 4th District


Supervisor - 5th District

ATTEST:


Clerk of the Board