

COUNTY OF SANTABARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2024 AS NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, United Domestic Workers (UDW) is made up of more than 170,000 workers in 45 counties in the state of California who provide home care to low-income seniors and people with disabilities through California's In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program and family child care providers who care for children on state subsidy programs; and

WHEREAS, IHSS providers allow their clients to live at home in comfort and dignity, avoiding expensive institutions; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers provide a vital lifeline of connection and hope to loved ones during challenging and uncertain days, devoting immeasurable time, energy, and resources; and

WHEREAS, throughout this month, let us remember these individuals who spend their days caring for others while balancing the responsibilities of their own lives, including employment and raising children; and

WHEREAS, caregiving is often overwhelming, and as the responsibility of family caregivers in our country grows every year, it is crucial to encourage family caregivers and provide unwavering support as they carry on this important work; and

WHEREAS, women, people of color, and immigrants shoulder a disproportionate share of this obligation, sometimes forced to leave good jobs to instead provide care to loved ones. Their work is a profound service to their families and our Nation, but they are still too often unseen and undervalued.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED, that this Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims November 2024 as National Family Caregivers Month in Santa Barbara County and encourages residents to bring awareness to caregiving issues and increase support for our family caregivers.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 15th day of October, 2024, by unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST: Monn Prego ato
Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District