



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MARCH 22-28, 2015 AS TSUNAMI PREPAREDNESS WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Weather Service established a recognition/certification program called TsunamiReady/StormReady, which provides communities specific steps to prepare themselves for severe weather hazards and established the week of March 22-28 as a national week of recognition for the TsunamiReady program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Goleta, the University of California Santa Barbara, the City of Santa Barbara, and the County of Santa Barbara have been officially recognized and certified as TsunamiReady and StormReady; and

WHEREAS, Tsunamis, although rare, are highly dangerous events that threaten our coastline. The TsunamiReady program helps our residents and visitors be better prepared and save lives by providing a program which aid communities to keep their tsunami response plans current, to increase community contact with experts and to warn those within potential inundation zones; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain status as a TsunamiReady/StormReady community, jurisdictions must provide and show compliance by demonstrating the ability to receive National Weather Service Tsunami Warning Information, disseminate a tsunami warning to the local populations, have an established warning point and emergency operations center, a community education tsunami readiness program, designated tsunami hazard zones, and evacuation and response plans. The Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Management has worked to make the County Operational Area to become fully compliant with the national TsunamiReady/StormReady program for the benefit of all County residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Jurisdictions have developed a public education and awareness program designed to communicate the specific hazard to those residents, businesses, and visitors that live and work within the tsunami hazard area. This is being accomplished by public education brochures, tsunami workshops, and posting of Tsunami Hazard Zone Signs in the inundation area and promoted during this week designated as Tsunami Preparedness Week in Santa Barbara County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim the week of March 22-28 2015 as Tsunami Preparedness Week in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 24th day of March 2015, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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