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# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING  
THE ALLIANCE FOR LIVING AND DYING WELL  
FOR THE FIVE WISHES FAMILY AND FRIENDS PROGRAM**

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WHEREAS, the Alliance for Living and Dying Well is a collaboration of leaders and agencies in the community interested in quality of end of life care including Archstone Foundation, Bower Foundation, Cottage Health System, Hospice of Santa Barbara, St. Francis Foundation, Sarah House, Visiting Nurse and Hospice Care and retirement communities; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Alliance for Living and Dying Well is to create a seamless compassionate end of life care continuum and to provide opportunities for the community to embrace with greater awareness the relationship between living and dying well; and

WHEREAS, having a complete and available Advanced Health Care Directive is an important way to ensure an individual's health care wishes will be known honored when they are unable to express their preferences; and

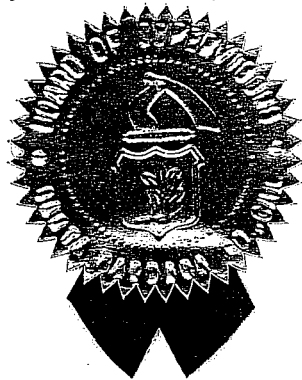
WHEREAS, the Alliance for living and Dying Well is sponsoring the Five Wishes Family Friends Program which provides supportive opportunities for individuals and families to have the kinds of conversations necessary to complete meaningful and accessible advanced health care directives; and

WHEREAS, over fifteen communities have participated in a Five Wishes Family and Friend Event, with a total of over 700 community members having attended and 150 individuals having completed the Five Wishes Train the Trainers program; and

WHEREAS, on May 25, 2011, the Alliance for Living and Dying Well held the First Annual Five Wishes Community-wide Gathering and Celebration to recognize those communities who have participated in the Five Wishes Family and Friends Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors commends the Alliance for Living and Dying Well for sponsoring and implementing the Five Wishes Family and Friends Program and for holding the First Annual Five Wishes Community-wide Gathering and Celebration on May 25, 2011

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Waller  
Clerk of the Board

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