

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA OLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 24-30, 2023 AS DANIEL ELLSBERG WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, Daniel Ellsberg, the Pentagon Papers whistleblower has been an inspiring activist for peace since the early 1970s; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Ellsberg became a whistleblower by giving the 7,000-page Pentagon Papers to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the New York Times, the Washington Post and 17 other newspapers; and

WHEREAS, Ellsberg's subsequent trial on twelve felony counts, posing a possible sentence of 115 years, was dismissed in 1973 on grounds of governmental misconduct against him, leading to the convictions of several White House aides and figuring in the impeachment proceedings against President Nixon.; and

WHEREAS, Since the end of the Vietnam War, Ellsberg has been a lecturer, scholar, writer and activist on the dangers of the nuclear era, wrongful U.S. interventions and the urgent need for principled whistleblowing; and

WHEREAS, Ellsberg recently wrote a public letter disclosing that he has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, with a prognosis that he has only three to six months to live; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Ellsberg has supported, encouraged, and inspired whistleblowers, journalists, and activists all over the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares April 24-30, 2023, as Daniel Ellsberg Week in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 2nd day of May, 2023 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District