RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 4-10, 2011 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

WHEREAS, April 4-10, 2011, is National Public Health Week with the theme of "Safety is No Accident: Live Injury Free"; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department raises awareness of injury prevention for residents at home, at work, and at play; and

WHEREAS, injury prevention may begin at home with infants by putting them on their backs to sleep to prevent SIDS and unintentional sleep deaths; and

WHEREAS, injury prevention at play and in the community is exemplified by being aware of the heat, not leaving children or animals in cars with closed windows and being aware of outside activities when it's very hot; and

WHEREAS, unintentional injuries are the leading cause of death for individuals under the age of 45; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department educates patients about injury prevention when patients receive medical services through the six Public Heath Department Health Care Centers, four satellite clinic locations and Maternal/Child/Adolescent home visits in the community; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Public Health Department is to improve the health of our communities by preventing disease, promoting wellness, and ensuring access to needed health care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby observe the week of April 4-10, 2011 as National Public Health Week, in recognition of the contributions of all the Public Health and other staff working in all of our prevention and health care settings in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this fifth day of April, 2011, by a unanimous vote of all members present.