

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 2014 AS SUICIDE AWARENESS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, September is National and International Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Suicide is a public health problem, and suicide prevention is a community responsibility; and

and
WHEREAS, worldwide there are more deaths by suicide than by homicide and war combined;
WHEREAS, in the United States, one person dies by suicide every 13.3 minutes, with 39,518 deaths by suicide in our country; and

WHEREAS, in our country, suicide is the 3rd leading cause of death for 15-24 year olds, and is the 10th leading cause of death for people of all ages; and

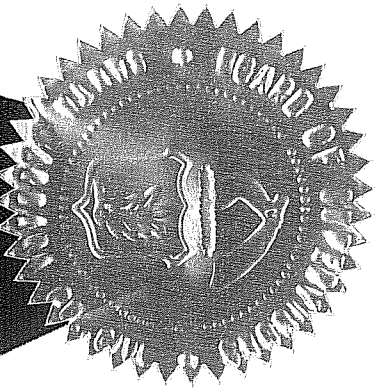
WHEREAS, in Santa Barbara County suicide was reported as the 5th leading cause of premature death, according to the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department Statistic; and

WHEREAS, each person's death by suicide intimately affects at least six other people, with over 200,000 newly bereaved each year; and

WHEREAS, a great many suicides are preventable, and can be reduced through awareness, education and treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes September 2014 as Suicide Awareness Month in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 2nd day of September, 2014 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



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