



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 2015 AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

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WHEREAS, the American Red Cross, synonymous with helping people, has had a positive impact on residents throughout the United States and the world. For over 240 years, the American Red Cross has worked to fulfill their mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies, by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors; and

WHEREAS, for nearly 100 years, United States Presidents have called on the American people to support the Red Cross and its humanitarian mission. As the Red Cross is not a government entity, they depend on support from private individuals to continue the organization's humanitarian work; and

WHEREAS, the contribution of time, money, or blood has allowed for the American Red Cross to help people in Santa Barbara County, across the country, and around the world. The organization has been able to launch hundreds of disaster relief operations in the United States throughout the last year; including offering assistance to those affected by fires, floods, hurricanes, and most recently, tornadoes in the Midwest; and

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross extends its services beyond the United States borders, and has supported major international disasters; including response to the Japan earthquake and tsunami, ongoing relief efforts in Haiti, and the continuing humanitarian crisis in Syria. Additionally, the Red Cross serves our nation by providing 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans, and their families through CPR training, aquatics safety, and first aid; and

WHEREAS, in Santa Barbara County, the Red Cross works tirelessly through its twenty one employees, and more than four hundred volunteers, to support the community in times of need.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors do hereby proclaim March 2015 as American Red Cross Month, and urges residents of Santa Barbara County to become partners in preparedness with our Santa Barbara County Red Cross chapter, and act as active participants in advancing the noble mission of the American Red Cross.

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



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