



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

*RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2019  
AS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH*

*WHEREAS, dental decay is the most common chronic disease among children that can be prevented through regular screening, early identification, preventative education and treatment; and*

*WHEREAS, oral health is critical to overall health affecting nutrition, social development, growth and function, academic performance, and quality of life; and*

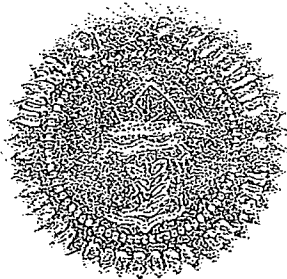
*WHEREAS, untreated dental disease has been linked to adverse health outcomes associated with pre-term and low birth weight deliveries, heart disease, stroke, diabetes, bacterial pneumonia; and*


*WHEREAS, tooth decay is preventable through fluoride use, good eating and feeding habits, good oral health habits, and regular dental visits; and*


*WHEREAS, Public Health Department's Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and Maternal Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Programs offered preventative oral health education to 11,490 children in 2018 and the Santa Barbara County Office of Education's Health Linkages Program offered oral health education to 3,000 families with preschool children.*

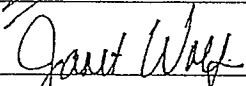
*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby observe the month of February 2019 as National Children's Oral Health Awareness Month, to facilitate increased awareness, education, prevention and treatment of Childhood Oral Health Disease throughout the County.*

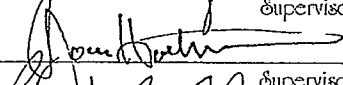
*PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019, by a unanimous vote of all members present.*

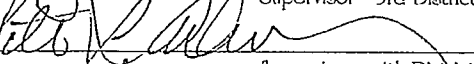


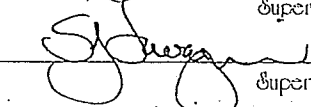
ATTEST:   
Clerk of the Board

  
Supervisor - 1st District

  
Supervisor - 2nd District

  
Supervisor - 3rd District

  
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