COUNTY OF SANTABARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 10-16, 2024 "NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK" IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners (NP's) are advanced practice registered nurses (APRN's) who have advanced clinical education and training, building on their initial registered nurse preparation. There are more than 355,000 licensed Nurse Practitioners in the United States and approximately 37,000 Nurse Practitioners in California providing primary, acute, and specialty care to patients of all ages and walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners diagnose and treat acute and chronic illnesses, provide reproductive care, prescribe medications and treatments through a patient-centered approach; and

WHEREAS, more than 20,000 Nurse Practitioners are eligible for Full Practice Authority through modernized state laws and improved policies for patient access; and

WHEREAS, 30 states and the District of Columbia have implemented Full Practice Authority granting patients direct access to high quality patient care; and

WHEREAS, Nurse Practitioners strive to be partners in the healthcare of their patients, helping encourage healthy behaviors, disease prevention, and providing valuable counseling to guide patients;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Supervisors proclaims November 10-16, 2024 as Nurse Practitioner Week in Santa Barbara County and is proud to recognize and the countless contributions that Nurse Practitioners have made over the past 60 years and will continue to make to the health and wellbeing of residents of our County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by this Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 5^{th} day of November 2024 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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