

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, November is Native American Heritage Month and the history of Santa Barbara County has been greatly enriched by the presence and contributions of Native Americans in such areas as art, cultural activities, and tribal government; and

WHEREAS, for over 9,000 years it was the Chumash who inhabited the land we know today as Santa Barbara County and were the first to create sophisticated commerce through trade; and

WHEREAS, Native Americans, in particular the Chumash, have gained cultural and economic prominence and made valuable contributions to our society and specifically to Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians has provided a positive economic impact to Santa Barbara County through jobs, charitable contributions, and its premier entertainment destination, the Chumash Casino Resort; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Ynez Band of the Chumash Indians are nationally recognized as a sovereign nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims November as Native American Heritage Month and further honors and commends the Santa Ynez Band of the Chumash for their significant achievements and contributions to the residents of Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 4th day of November, 2008 by a unanimous vote of all members

ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

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Supervisor - 5th District