

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
THE DAY OF MAY 6, 2017 AS NATIONAL NURSES DAY
AND THE WEEK OF MAY 6-12, 2017 AS NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department acknowledges the National Nurse Week Celebration Theme of 2017 as “Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body and Spirit”; and

WHEREAS, in concert with Nurse Week celebrations, registered nurses and public health nurses are recognized and appreciated for leading the charge in promoting health and wellness in our community; and

WHEREAS, nurses play a critical role in improving patient health outcomes, increasing access to health care, and reducing health care costs through the provision of primary prevention efforts that include education and linkages to appropriate and quality access to care for residents of Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, nursing is the protection, promotion, and optimization of health, prevention of illness and injury, and advocacy in the care of individuals, families, communities, and populations; and

WHEREAS, nurses are collectively responding to emerging communicable disease events and outbreaks by assuring timely public health interventions, and quality and accessible health care throughout the continuum of care from community to clinic settings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does proclaim the sixth day of May 2017 as National Nurses Day, and the week of May sixth through May twelfth as National Nurses Week in recognition of the contributions of all nurses working in health care and community settings, 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 May 2017 by a unanimous vote of all members present.