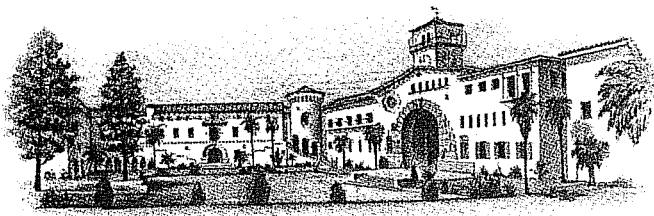


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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 12-18 AS "ORCHID WEEK" IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, first organized by the Santa Barbara Horticultural Society in 1945, has been honoring orchid growers and their finest plants for 61 years; and

WHEREAS, Orchid growing in Santa Barbara took root at the turn of the 20th century, when wealthy industrialists came to this area and commissioned world-class horticulturists and landscape architects to design elaborate gardens on their estates; and

WHEREAS, Several leading growers established some of the country's finest orchid breeding collections, laboratories and nursery facilities here in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Orchid cultivation in Santa Barbara County has continued to expand into the 21st century, resulting in a local industry that currently sells \$12.6 million of potted orchid plants and cut orchid flowers annually; and

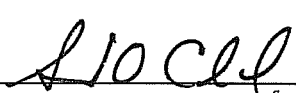
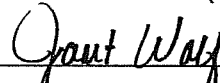
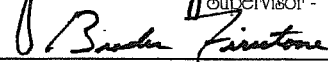
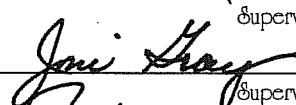

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors acknowledges the important cultural contribution of the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show and the essential function of orchid horticulture in this region; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors designates the week of March 12-18 as Orchid Week in the County of Santa Barbara, honoring area orchid growers and the vibrant role they play in our community, and urging local residents to attend the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show on March 16-18.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 13th day of March, 2007 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: 
Clerk of the Board


Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District

