



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION HONORING JUNE 5-7, 2020
AS WEAR ORANGE WEEKEND IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY WEEKEND**

WHEREAS, gun violence is the cause of nearly 40,000 deaths annually in the United States, which includes homicides, suicides, accidents and other causes; and

WHEREAS, June 5-7, 2020 is recognized as Gun Violence Awareness Day Weekend across the United States and citizens are encouraged to wear orange to support common sense solutions that will save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Wear Orange campaign was started by high school students from the Southside of Chicago to commemorate the loss of their fifteen-year-old friend and classmate, Hadiya Pendleton, who was shot and killed just one week after performing at President Obama's 2nd inaugural parade in 2013; and

WHEREAS, after her death, they asked us to stand up, speak out, and Wear Orange to raise awareness about gun violence. They chose the color orange because it is the color hunters were in the woods to protect themselves and others; and

WHEREAS, the communities of Isla Vista, Santa Barbara and our nation continue to grieve from the mass shooting six years ago on May 23, 2014, killing six people and injuring thirteen others; and

WHEREAS, it is critical for elected officials and members of the public to continue the work to end gun violence in this country year-round and be visible about doing so beyond one weekend a year; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors honors June 5-7, 2020 as "Wear Orange Day Weekend in Santa Barbara County" and encourages all residents to remember the victims of gun violence.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 16th day of June, 2020.



Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board