

RESOLUTION OF PROCLAMATION

TRAUMA AWARENESS MONTH/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK, MAY 19th-25

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY - MAY 2002

WHEREAS, emergency medical services consists of emergency physicians, paramedics, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, firefighters, lifeguards, educators, administrators, and others; and

WHEREAS, the County and its citizens benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care and focused prevention activities dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury ; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system; and

WHEREAS, the members of the emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours-per-day, seven days-per-week; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week and Trauma Awareness Month;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors proclaim the week of May 19-25 as

"EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK"

and the month of May as

“TRAUMA AWARENESS MONTH”

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 14th day of May 2002 by unanimous vote of the members present.