

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION HONORING CALIFORNIA

THE COMMUNITY WELLNESS TEAM
AS THE SECOND DISTRICT
COMMISSION FOR WOMEN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, the Community Wellness Team was established after the Thomas Fire and 1/9 Debris Flow and has been working to support the community's emotional wellness and resilience ever since; and

WHEREAS, the Community Wellness Team is led by the Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness and co-chaired by the Institute for Collective Trauma and Growth and recognizes that people respond differently to trauma and may have different levels of need. For this reason the team provides a continuum of service ranging from crisis counseling, debriefings, school support, individual counseling, group or family counseling, grief counseling through the Intensive Outpatient "How We Heal" program offered through Cottage Health; and

WHEREAS, the Community Wellness Team is comprised of a collaboration of over 13 local agencies working together to support the wellness of our community and is available for response and support every day of the year. The organizations serving on the team include the Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness, Institute for Collective Trauma and Growth, American Red Cross Disaster Mental Health, California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists, HOPE 805, Cottage Health, Hospice of Santa Barbara, Jewish Family Service of Greater Santa Barbara, Mental Wellness Center, National Association of Voluntary Organizations (VOAD), Santa Barbara County Psychological Association, Santa Barbara Response Network, Santa Barbara Unified School District, Sheriff Department Behavioral Sciences Unit and the Community Shul of Montecito and Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, the FEMA funded California HOPE 805 program has played a key role in ongoing community outreach, crisis counseling and education and will be greatly missed when this FEMA funded program concludes in April of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Community Wellness Team will remain available as a system of support for our community and has contact information for the team available on the ReadySBC.org website under Health and Safety, Community Wellness Team.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County declares the Community Wellness Team, as the Second District Commission for Women Service Award Recipient.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 19th day of March, 2019, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST: Monday Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

Supervisor - 5th District