

NTY OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING CALIFORNIA

AUGUST 4 - 10, 2024, NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the National Association of Community Health Centers sponsors National Health Center Week each August in recognition of America's 1,400 Community Health Centers and the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department operates 5 Health Care Centers, 3 shelter-based clinics and the Health Care for the Homeless Program, providing high-quality, affordable primary care in our County's underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 26227 ("Section 26227") authorizes the Board of Supervisors to expend money from the general fund of the County to establish County programs deemed by the Board of Supervisors to be necessary to meet the social needs of the population of the County, including but not limited to, the areas of health, public safety, and welfare and Section 26227 further authorizes officers and employees to use County resources to carry out any such program established by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, this year's National Health Center Week celebrates the role of Community Health Centers as a source of caring and support in local communities, the County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department is bringing together community partners and county agencies to provide services at Back to School Health Fairs at the Franklin, Lompoc, and Santa Maria Health Care Centers; and services offered foster the health and wellbeing of all community members and in particular prepare youth for a bright, successful future; and

WHEREAS, hosting these single day events on County property serves the public purpose of providing ease of access to the community by having community partner agencies, and County services and programs all located in one area, which fosters collaboration between agencies and partners in outreach to the community with a focus on addressing a larger spectrum of needs for those in underserved communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby Proclaim August 4th through 10th of 2024 as National Health Center Week, find that hosting Back to School Health Fairs on County property serves a public purpose by bringing County and community services together in one accessible location to meet the social needs of the population of the County, and authorize the County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department to host the Back to School Health Fairs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 16th day of July 2024, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District Supervisor - 2nd District Supervisor - 3rd District Supervisor - 4th District ATTEST: the Board ervisor - 5th District