

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF RATIFYING  
PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE  
OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY CAUSED BY  
REFUGIO BEACH OIL SPILL**

**Attachment A**

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**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

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**WHEREAS**, Government Code, Sections 8558 and 8630, et seq., and Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code empower the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within seven days; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 19, 2015 an onshore pipeline on the Gaviota Coast ruptured and released oil and potentially other hazardous substances into the Pacific Ocean. The release extended more than nine miles along the Gaviota Coast. This event has been named the Refugio Beach Oil Spill.

**WHEREAS**, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within this County, caused by the Refugio Beach Oil Spill; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 20, 2015, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Santa Barbara proclaimed the existence of a local emergency within Santa Barbara County as a result of the Refugio Beach Oil Spill. The Board of Supervisors was not in session at that time. A copy of the “Proclamation of Local Emergency by Director of Emergency Services” is attached; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 20, 2015, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to assist the response to the Refugio Beach Oil Spill; and

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Section 8630(c) requires the Board of Supervisors to review the need for the continued existence of a Proclamation of Local Emergency at least every 30 days and Government Code Section 8630(d) requires termination of a Proclamation of Local Emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds these conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the ratification of the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency with regards to the Refugio Beach Oil Spill.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the conditions warranting the Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by the Refugio Beach Oil Spill continue to exist and the Proclamation of the Local Emergency Caused by the Refugio Beach Oil Spill shall remain in place; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Local Emergency Caused by the Refugio Beach Oil Spill will be terminated at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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**Chair, Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Barbara**

ATTEST:  
MONA MIYASATO  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
MICHAEL C. GHIZZONI  
COUNTY COUNSEL

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS INTERIM CHIEF  
ROBERT TROY  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

By  \_\_\_\_\_

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BY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**Attachment B**



**PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY  
BY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 12, Sec. 12-5(a) of the Santa Barbara County Code, empowers the County of Santa Barbara, Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim a local emergency if the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 8558 (c) of the Government Code defines a "Local Emergency" as: "the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a county, city and county, or city, caused by such conditions as air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, sudden and severe energy shortage, plant or animal infestation or disease, the Governor's warning of an earthquake or volcanic prediction, or an earthquake, or other conditions, other than conditions resulting from a labor controversy, which conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of that political subdivision and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat", and;

**WHEREAS**, On May 19, 2015 an **OIL SPILL (Refugio Beach Oil Spill)** occurred on the Gaviota Coast, west of Refugio State Park. The initial estimate of the release was greater than 500 barrels. A substantial portion of the release migrated into the Pacific Ocean. The **OIL SPILL** has caused conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the County of Santa Barbara; and

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara is not in session.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** that a local emergency now exists in the County of Santa Barbara; and


1. That all the recitals set forth herein above are true, correct, and valid; and
2. That these aforementioned conditions of extreme peril are not the results of labor controversy; and
3. That in furtherance of this proclamation of local emergency, there is hereby invoked in the County of Santa Barbara all of the powers and mechanisms set forth in the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code sections 8550 et seq.), Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 12 and all other applicable laws, as said powers and mechanisms may hereafter be used by authorized personnel of the County of Santa Barbara; and

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4. That, pursuant to Santa Barbara County Code, Chapter 12, Sec. 12-5(b), the Director of Emergency Services is empowered to require emergency services of any county officer or employee and to requisition necessary personnel or material of any county department or agency; and
5. That a copy of this Proclamation of Local Emergency shall be posted on all outside public access doors of the County Administration Building, and personnel of said County shall endeavor to make copies of this Proclamation available to news media; and
6. That this Proclamation of Local Emergency shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days from the date hereof, unless ratified by the Board of Supervisors, and extended, or unless sooner terminated.

Dated: May 20, 2015

Time: 7:30 p.m.

  
County Executive Officer/  
Director of Emergency Services  
County of Santa Barbara