

**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**  
**CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING )  
 OCTOBER 17-24, 2020 AS )  
 FLOOD PREPAREDNESS WEEK )

**WHEREAS**, floods can occur in Santa Barbara County in any given year, regardless of perceived weather patterns or trends; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Barbara County has seen rainfall events that result in devastating flooding and debris flows over portions of our community which should serve as a vivid reminder of the flooding threat we face and the need to prepare every year; and

**WHEREAS**, even during years of drought conditions, droughts in California have historically been broken by extreme or above average rain events and flooding; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Flood Control District prepares for each winter assuming significant flooding could result and each resident should do the same to protect their homes and businesses; and

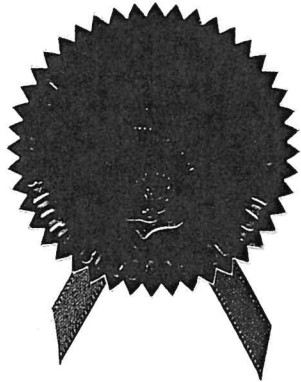
**WHEREAS**, the County makes available for public viewing the flood insurance rate maps that are developed and published by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and

**WHEREAS**, because of the County's ongoing participation in the National Flood Insurance Program, residents are eligible to purchase federal flood insurance as financial protection against flood losses which do occur; and

**WHEREAS**, of all the cities and counties in the State of California, residents of unincorporated Santa Barbara County represent one of a few such communities where residents are able to purchase flood insurance at a 20% discount due to the County's Level 6 standing in the Community Rating System (CRS) that credits the County for its maintenance program, emergency response efforts, and floodplain management program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors along with the State of California proclaim the week of October 17-24, 2020 as Flood Preparedness Week and encourage Santa Barbara County residents to also be prepared for the winter. For ongoing public access to information and resources see: <http://www.countyofsb.org/pwd/floodprepweek.sbc>

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020, by unanimous vote of all members present.



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