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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
OCTOBER 6-15, 2008 AS
BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the vision of Binational Health Week is "the health of California is the health of its immigrants" and it is intended as a first step in a larger program of cooperation among North American and Central American countries to improve the health and well-being of immigrant workers and their families; and

WHEREAS, over 40 states in the U.S., three provinces in Canada, and seven Latin American Countries will participate in Binational Health Week in the effort to improve the quality of life of immigrant families by expanding their access to health care and reducing unmet health needs; and

WHEREAS, the 2007 Binational Health Week was an unprecedented effort overseen by multi-agency task forces that included an estimated 6,586 agencies and 15,500 volunteers who helped over 300,000 people receive health care services; and

WHEREAS, Binational Health Week is promoting a national campaign to raise awareness among the Latino community on the topics of obesity and diabetes, HIV/AIDS, autism, and emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County Public Health will participate in Binational Health Week by offering health insurance enrollment, health education and outreach, and screening services that are crucial to improving health and reducing the threat of serious illness and communicable diseases;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims October 6-15 as Binational Health Week in Santa Barbara County and encourages residents to participate in events throughout the week that promote and enhance the health and wellbeing of our community.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 7th day of October, 2008 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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