

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
MARCH 24, 2014
WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2014, in honor of World TB Day, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department joins the global partnership to promote CDC's message to "Find TB. Treat TB. Working together to eliminate TB"; and

WHEREAS, through strong community partnerships, finding and treating TB supports a healthy community by enhancing local TB control and elimination efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Disease Control Program commits to raising the public's awareness that TB still exists and despite great strides in controlling TB, people are still dying from this disease in our country; and

WHEREAS, one-third of the world's population is infected with latent TB and each year nine million people develop active TB resulting in two million deaths world-wide; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Santa Barbara County reported 26 active TB cases representing a case rate of 6.0 per 100,000 population compared to California's case rate of 5.7; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Public Health Department Disease Control staff identified and screened over 311 at-risk individuals with close contact to active tuberculosis cases in an effort to break the chain of TB transmission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim March 24, 2014, as World Tuberculosis Day in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this eighteenth day of March 2014 by a unanimous vote of all members present.