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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER 2023 AS NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, United Domestic Workers (UDW) represents over 150,000 workers in 21 counties who provide home care to low-income seniors and people with disabilities through California's In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program and over 25,000 family child care providers who care for children on state subsidy programs; and

WHEREAS, during National Family Caregivers Month we recognize more than 90 million Americans today are family caregivers for their loved ones; and

WHEREAS, IHSS providers allow their clients to live at home in comfort and dignity, avoiding expensive institutions; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers provide a vital lifeline of connection and hope to loved ones during challenging and uncertain days, devoting immeasurable time, energy, resources; and

WHEREAS, throughout this month, let us remember these individuals who spend their days caring for others while balancing the responsibilities of their own lives, including employment and raising children; and

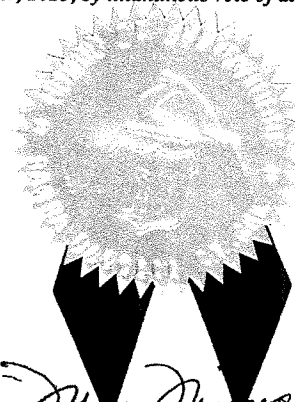
WHEREAS, caregiving is overwhelming and with the responsibility of family caregivers in our country growing every year, it is important to encourage family caregivers and to provide unending support as they carry on this important work; and

WHEREAS, Women, people of color, and immigrants shoulder a disproportionate share of the obligation, sometimes forced to leave good jobs to instead provide care, and their work is a profound service to their families and to our Nation, but they are still too often unseen, undervalued, and unpaid.

WHEREAS, the 2023 theme is "Caregivers Connect," to highlight how important it is for caregivers to build strong connections to access information, share experiences, and find support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims November 2023 as National Family Caregivers Month in Santa Barbara County and encourages residents to bring awareness of caregiving issues, educate communities, and increase support for caregivers.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 28th of November, 2023, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Sharon Dreyfus
Clerk of the Board

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