

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA **CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL METHAMPHETAMINE AWARENESS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, methamphetamine is a highly addictive and extremely dangerous drug that is affecting the families that form the foundation of the Santa Maria Valley; and

WHEREAS, methamphetamine use comes at great cost to law enforcement, corrections, courts, communities and families forced to endure the hideous effects of addiction and dependence; and

WHEREAS, it is important to generate awareness about the damaging effects of methamphetamine abuse on individuals, such as our youth and our family members in Santa Maria Valley; and

WHEREAS, methamphetamine is a major public health problem that affects individuals of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds, as well as family and friends; and

WHEREAS, education and public outreach are at the heart of the Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Coalition strategy, and National Methamphetamine Awareness Month will play an important role in highlighting the communitywide efforts to increase awareness and decrease demand of this highly addictive and dangerous drug; and

WHEREAS, National Methamphetamine Awareness Month represents a coordinated effort not only to reach potential meth users with a message of prevention, but also to educate current users about the programs available to them; and

WHEREAS, National Methamphetamine Awareness Month is an excellent opportunity to educate community organizations, public officials, civic leaders, and the general public in both English and Spanish about the societal and economic effectiveness of methamphetamine use, misuse, abuse and addiction.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, recognize the 2007 National Methamphetamine Awareness Month here in Santa Barbara County. Passed and adopted this 6th day of November 2007.

3rd District

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