



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

## RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2011 AS THINK LOW INCOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CARE MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

*WHEREAS*, Energy is essential for the health, welfare, and safety of all our residents; and

*WHEREAS*, The Gas Company sought and has received approval to help low-income customers by its Energy Savings Assistance Program (ESAP) and California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) Program, thus allowing more customers to qualify for no-cost, energy-saving home improvements as well as a monthly 20 percent rate discount; and

*WHEREAS*, Hundreds of individuals are eligible but have not taken advantage of specific customer assistance programs for low-income ratepayers in the County of Santa Barbara; and

*WHEREAS*, Counties, cities and special districts can help inform their residents about The Gas Company's customer assistance programs, low income energy-efficient appliances, weatherization services, and equipment repairs, all of which help reduce energy consumption, lower energy bills, and put downward pressure on energy prices.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED* that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara recognizes the month of October as Think Low Income Energy Efficiency and CARE Month in the County of Santa Barbara, and it encourages residents, businesses, and institutions to conserve energy and utilize the many customer assistance and energy-efficiency programs offered by The Gas Company and other energy service providers.

*PASSED AND ADOPTED* by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2011, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



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