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RESOLUTION NO. 25-204

County of Santa Barbara

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS
OF THE CENTRAL COAST FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE
AND EXTRAORDINARY RESPONSE DURING THE GIFFORD FIRE**

WHEREAS, for nearly five decades, Community Health Centers of the Central Coast (CHC) has served as a trusted safety-net provider, ensuring access to high-quality, affordable, and compassionate health care for all residents, regardless of income, insurance status, or circumstance; and

WHEREAS, CHC provides essential, comprehensive health care services to patients across Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties, including the communities of Arroyo Grande, Guadalupe, Los Alamos, Lompoc, New Cuyama, Nipomo, and Santa Maria; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara's architects have worked diligently to preserve the architectural heritage of our community through service on local architectural review boards, various public outreach and education efforts and service projects; and

WHEREAS, during the Gifford Fire of August 2025, CHC demonstrated exceptional resilience and commitment to patient care, even as the New Cuyama Health Center was forced to close, by swiftly shifting services to its Santa Maria Telehealth Center to ensure patients — many of whom were displaced — maintained access to critical health services; and

WHEREAS, CHC's staff went above and beyond in their service, securing Red Cross special passes to travel through Taft into New Cuyama during the fire and delivering life-saving medications directly from CHC Nipomo's pharmacy to patients in need; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara hereby commends and expresses its deep appreciation to Community Health Centers of the Central Coast, and its dedicated employees, for their unwavering service, innovation, and extraordinary commitment to the health and well-being of Santa Barbara County residents, particularly during the Gifford Fire.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 16th day of September, 2025 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



Mona Nguyen
ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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