COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15, 2011
AS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IN
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to recognize the significant contributions and achievements of Hispanic and Latino Americans who serve as leaders in the military, business, government, law, education, science, athletics, the arts, and other fields; and

WHEREAS, in 1968 President Lyndon B. Johnson and Congress celebrated the contributions of Hispanic Americans by officially proclaiming the Week of September 15 as Hispanic Heritage Week. Congress later expanded this celebration in 1988 to its current month-long recognition; and
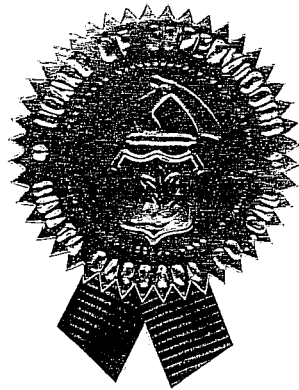
WHEREAS, the theme for 2011 "Heritage, Diversity, Integrity and Honor: The Renewed Hope of America" recognizes the significant historical contributions that Hispanic and Latino Americans contributed in the development of our country and the important roles they will have in achieving future prosperity for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2010 United States Census, Hispanic Americans are the largest ethnic minority in the United States, with an estimated population of 50.5 million people, comprising 16% of the total population; and

WHEREAS, many Hispanic and Latino Americans are dedicated public servants working to enhance their local communities through their participation in posts at all levels of government from the Supreme Court and the United States Senate to local city and county offices; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares September 15-October 15, 2011 as Hispanic Heritage Month in Santa Barbara County and calls on all residents of our community to join in celebrations and activities that will occur.

PASSED and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 4th day of October, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 5th District