

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
JULY 15-21, 2007, AS “PROBATION,
PAROLE, AND COMMUNITY
SUPERVISION OFFICERS’ WEEK”**

WHEREAS, During the week of July 15-21, 2007, probation, parole, community supervision officers, criminal and juvenile justice professionals and communities will join together across America to celebrate Probation, Parole & Community Supervision Officers’ Week.

WHEREAS, Probation Officers provide essential services to the communities of Santa Barbara County by protecting and enhancing the public trust through enforcing court orders, providing information and sentencing recommendations to the Courts, providing services to and helping repair the harm done to victims and the community by criminal offenders, by holding adult and juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior and assisting them in reforming their lives; and

WHEREAS, Juvenile Institutions Officers provide essential services to the communities of Santa Barbara County by providing safe and secure juvenile detention and treatment facilities, and by counseling, guiding, and instilling responsibility and accountability in minors in our care and custody; by ensuring their education and facilitating restorative justice to the community through the Computers for Families Project and Community Work Crews; and

WHEREAS, Probation and Juvenile Institutions Officers provide an efficient and cost effective use of public resources by supervising nearly 5 million adult and over 670,000 juvenile offenders nationally, and within Santa Barbara County locally supervising approximately 6,600 adult and 1,350 juvenile offenders at any given time, and for over 100 years, Santa Barbara County Probation and Juvenile Institutions Officers have dedicated their lives to help make safer communities for us all; and

WHEREAS, Probation and Juvenile Institutions Officers work cooperatively with police officers, alcohol, drug, and mental health workers, community groups, social service and law and justice agencies, and our schools in partnerships and collaboratives which efficiently utilize public resources in protecting the public through offender accountability and by providing victims of crime and adult and juvenile offenders the support they need; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, proclaims the week of July 15 through July 21, 2007, as “Probation, Parole, and Community Supervision Officers’ Week” and joins in recognizing these men and women whose professionalism and dedication to their work contribute significantly to making Santa Barbara County a safer place to live.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 17th day of July 2007.