



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING  
THE WEEK OF APRIL 6 - 12, 2014 AS  
NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK**

*WHEREAS, in Santa Barbara County more than 4000 individuals are directly harmed by crime each year, and each crime affects many more family members, friends, neighbors, and co-workers; and*

*WHEREAS, crime leaves a lasting physical, emotional, or financial impact on people of all ages and abilities, and of all economic, racial, and social backgrounds; and*

*WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office Victim-Witness Assistance Program is designated by the Board of Supervisors the primary provider of help and support to Victims of Violent Crime advocating on behalf of victims of crime, assisting victims navigate the criminal justice system and obtain crime victim compensation in an attempt to mitigate the negative impacts of crime; and*

*WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 6-12 2014, honoring the extraordinary progress we have made on behalf of millions of victims since the passage of the Victims of Crime Act in 1984, and challenging our community and it's victim service providers, criminal justice agencies, and concerned citizens to observe National Crime Victims' Rights Week.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes the week of April 6-12, 2014, as national Crime Victims' Rights Week and reaffirms the County of Santa Barbara's commitment to respect and enforce victims' rights; and express our appreciation for those victims and crime survivors who have turned personal tragedy into action to improve our response to victims of crime and build a more just community.*

*PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2014 by a unanimous vote of all members present.*



ATTEST: Sharon DeYoung  
Clerk of the Board

L. J. O'Connell Supervisor - 1st District  
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Pete C. Allen Supervisor - 4th District  
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