

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2020
AS WATER AWARENESS MONTH IN
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY)
CALIFORNIA

WHEREAS, water is California's most precious resource and our quality of life and economic well-being depend on the efficient and prudent management of water resources; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2018, the California Legislature passed two bills – Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668 – that, together, implement Executive Order B-37-16 "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life" by establishing long-term water conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2019, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors terminated the Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by Drought Conditions that had been ratified since January 21, 2014, while acknowledging recurring droughts in Santa Barbara County are more likely with the impacts of climate change; and

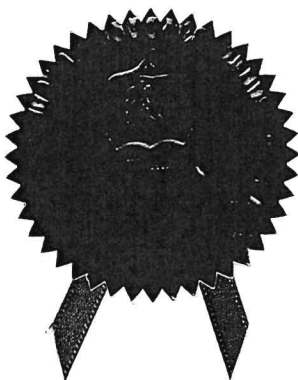
WHEREAS, despite adequate surface reservoir storage levels, continued vigilance of our water supplies remains a priority following below average rainfall this winter in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara, through the Public Works Department, is coordinating with water purveyors throughout the County to conserve and protect our valuable water resources through a cooperative Regional Water Efficiency Program, and facilitate the securing of additional long-term supplies; and

WHEREAS, this cooperative effort was established over twenty years ago because the efficient use of our local water resources is always a priority, not just in times of drought and water shortage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED that the County of Santa Barbara, Board of Supervisors, State of California, proclaims May 2020 as Water Awareness Month in Santa Barbara County, and urges all residents to learn more about their precious water resources and the importance of wise water use and to join in supporting local water agencies and organizations in their effort to be "Water Wise in Santa Barbara County."

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 5th day of May 2020, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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