



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 14TH – 21TH, 2011 AMERICORPS WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, since 1994 nearly 500,000 AmeriCorps members have served in non-profit organizations, public agencies and faith-based organizations nation-wide; and

WHEREAS, each year 75,000 AmeriCorps members serve communities throughout the country to meet critical needs in education, the environment, public safety, disaster relief, and other areas; and

WHEREAS, over 65% of AmeriCorps alumni choose to pursue a career in the public or non-profit sector and its members recruit, train and manage millions of community volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Education Office coordinates a chapter of the AmeriCorps program that serves over 800 at-risk students annually throughout the county by providing essential educational services such as daily tutoring; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Education Office chapter of AmeriCorps serves the schools of Santa Barbara County by recruiting volunteers to support educational programs and organizing service projects to benefit local schools; and

WHEREAS, budget cuts impacting local schools and the reduction of school support staff makes the work of AmeriCorps members in Santa Barbara County increasingly essential to the educational success of students in need; and

WHEREAS, proposed federal cuts to AmeriCorps programs across the U.S. repeatedly threaten to eliminate these essential service positions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares the week of May 14th through 21st, 2011 as AmeriCorps week in Santa Barbara County and commends all residents who volunteer their time and energy as part of the AmeriCorps program.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 17th day of May, 2011 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST: Chandra Waller
Clerk of the Board

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