



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING
MAY 7TH – MAY 13TH AS COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK
IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, compost improves soil structure, reduces run-off, and enables amended soils to use less water; and

WHEREAS, using sustainable soil-enriching compost helps prevent erosion of topsoil without depleting valuable wildlife habitats; and

WHEREAS, returning composted organic resources to the soil is a method of decreasing dependence on chemical fertilizers and non-point pollution; and

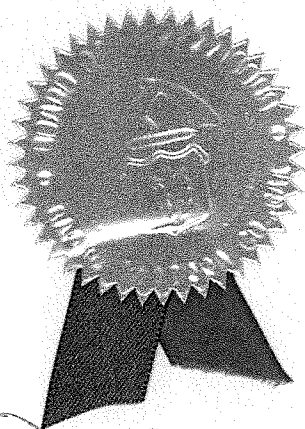
WHEREAS, community sustainability is enhanced by composting greenwaste, biosolids, and other organic materials; and

WHEREAS, organic materials suitable for composting represent up to 70% of materials that could be landfilled each year; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara has initiated greenwaste collection programs with their franchise haulers to aid in the efforts of environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Engel & Gray's regional composting facility in Santa Maria has been successfully composting organic material for sustainable agricultural practices since 1993.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims the week of May 7th – May 13th, 2023 as Compost Awareness Week in Santa Barbara County.



ATTEST:

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