

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF
JUNE 1-8, 2018 AS CPR & AED AWARENESS WEEK AND THE DAY OF
JUNE 7, 2018 AS HANDS-ONLY CPR DAY IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Sudden Cardiac Arrest is the leading cause of natural death in the United States and routinely one of the leading causes of natural death in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system relies on members of the community to access the system and provide care prior to the arrival of first responders; and

WHEREAS, victims of Sudden Cardiac Arrest require prompt, high-quality CPR to enhance their chances of survival; Hands-Only CPR takes minutes to learn and enables any community member to provide such care and triple the chances of survival; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the national average of Sudden Cardiac Arrests patients that received bystander CPR was 46%, in Santa Barbara County, the average of Sudden Cardiac Arrests that received bystander CPR was 25%; and

WHEREAS, the EMS Agency has joined the American Heart Association, Emergency Medical Doctors Association of California, Emergency Medical Services Administrators Association of California and the California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians to organize Hands Only CPR training this week; and at various locations throughout the County to promote health and life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby proclaim the week of June 1-8, 2018 as CPR & AED Awareness Week and the day of June 7, 2018, as Hands-Only CPR Day, and encourages all residents of Santa Barbara County to observe and participate in appropriate ceremonies and activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this fifth day of June 2018, by a unanimous vote of all members present.