



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**IN THE MATTER OF OBSERVING
THE DAY OF MAY SIXTH AS NATIONAL NURSES DAY
AND THE WEEK OF MAY SIXTH THROUGH
MAY TWELFTH TWO THOUSAND SIX
AS NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

WHEREAS, professional nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the health care delivery system; and

WHEREAS, nursing leaders are born from front-line nurses irrespective of the health care settings, and

WHEREAS, the nurse leader must balance administrative and the business pressures of cost containment with the delivery of quality nursing care by competent, caring and compassionate nurses, and

WHEREAS, leading teams of nurses with varied experiences and from diverse backgrounds and cultures enrich our health care delivery team, and

WHEREAS, nurse leaders work creatively and tirelessly to recruit and retain skilled nurses for all of the nursing positions often going beyond the confines of the health care setting to schools or places of worship for students or those with compassion to pursue nursing careers, and

WHEREAS, Alicia Kelley, RN a local nursing leader lost her life earlier this year in a tragic car accident, and the loss and impact was felt not only within her nursing team and hospital, but also within other local health care settings and advisory groups, underscoring the impact that the nursing profession has on the community, and

WHEREAS, nursing leaders work with nursing educators to create a culture of learning and professional development, and

WHEREAS, future nursing leaders will work in hospitals, schools, clinics, homes, medical offices and industry, yet many will not recognize themselves as leaders, and

WHEREAS, these nurses rely on their personal strength, commitment and compassion to develop leadership skills as our future nursing leaders, and

WHEREAS, the theme for National Nurses Week 2006, "Nurses: Strength, Commitment and Compassion" is the celebration of the ways in which nurses strive to provide safe and quality care to people of all ages, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does observe the sixth day of May 2006 as National Nurses Day, and the week of May sixth through May twelfth as National Nurses Week in recognition of the contributions of all nurses and nursing leaders working in all of our nursing educational and health care settings in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this second day of May 2006.



ATTEST:

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