

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2022 AS DMV/DONATE LIFE MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, organ, eye, tissue, marrow and blood donation are life-giving acts recognized worldwide as expressions of compassion to those in need; and

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 individuals nationwide and over 20,000 individuals in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting due to the shortage of donated organs, and the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic and African American communities; and

WHEREAS, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives; donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 others; and

WHEREAS, any person can register to be an organ, eye and tissue donor regardless of age or medical conditions; and being a registered donor does not impact the quality of life-saving medical care a person receives in an emergency; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry online at any time by visiting www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org or, for Spanish-speakers, www.doneVIDAcalifornia.org; and

WHEREAS, California residents can sign up to be an organ, eye, and tissue donor when applying for or renewing their driver's licenses or ID cards at the California Department of Motor Vehicles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that in recognition of National Donate Life Month, the month of April 2022 is hereby proclaimed "DMV/Donate Life California Month" in the County of Santa Barbara, and in doing so we encourage all Californians to check "YES!" when applying for or renewing their driver's license or I.D. card at the DMV.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 5th day of April, 2022 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

ATTEST:

1st District

2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District

Supervisor - 4th District

5th District

Clerk of the Board