

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2023 AS
DONATE LIFE MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

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

WHEREAS, more than 100,000 individuals nationwide and more than 20,000 in California are currently on the national organ transplant waiting list, and on average, 17 people die each day while waiting;

WHEREAS, the need for donated organs is especially urgent in Hispanic, Latino, and African American communities; and, a single individual's donation of the heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas and small intestine can save up to eight lives;

WHEREAS, donation of tissue can save and heal the lives of more than 75 others; and organ donors saved more than 42,000 lives last year, the most ever; and 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;

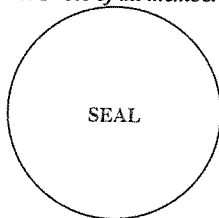
WHEREAS, California residents can sign up with the Donate Life California Donor Registry online at any time by visiting www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org or, for Spanish-speakers, www.doneVIDAcalifornia.org

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;

WHEREAS, California residents interested in saving a life through living kidney donation may visit www.LivingDonationCalifornia.org;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims April, 2023, as Donate Life Month.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 4th day of April, 2023, by unanimous vote of all members present.



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