

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2014 AS
BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, February is recognized as Black History Month throughout the United States. The 2014 National Theme, "Civil Rights In America", chronicles the important milestones achieved by African-Americans and others in the battle for civil rights and equal treatment under the law; and

WHEREAS, on the importance of Civil Rights, Martin Luther King Jr. stated "Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable, every step toward the goal of justice requires suffering and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concerns of dedicated individuals; and

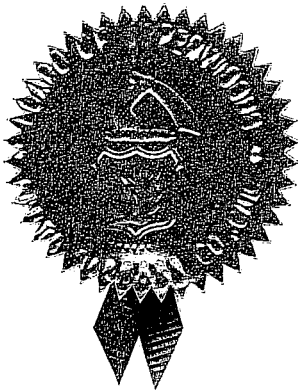
WHEREAS, during the civil rights era, groups and individuals worked to end racial segregation and the unequal treatment of African-Americans. Led by well-known leaders such as Martin Luther King, protesters used nonviolent fundamental campaigns in local communities while concurrently pursuing legal means to transform a nation and seek a brighter future for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, it's been 50 years since the Civil Rights Act was signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson. While many consider traditional civil rights issues to be the struggle for racial equality which still continues to this day, additional civil rights have risen to the forefront including the right to an equal education, affordable health care, gay rights and equal pay; and

WHEREAS, while the civil rights movement changed America and the world, we must continue to ask ourselves the following questions: Where are we now? Where do we go from here? What part will you play in the future of Civil Rights in America?;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors declares February, 2014, as **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** in Santa Barbara County and calls on all residents to celebrate with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 4th Day of February, 2014, by the unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Sharon Hines
Clerk of the Board

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