RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 24, 2015 WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2015, in honor of World TB Day, the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department joins the global partnership to promote CDC's message to "Find TB. Treat TB. Working together to eliminate TB"; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Disease Control Program commits to raising the public's awareness about TB prevention and has launched a campaign to educate the general and medical communities of short-term alternative therapies for latent tuberculosis infections; and

WHEREAS, one-third of the world's population is infected with latent TB and each year nine million people develop active TB resulting in two million deaths world-wide; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Santa Barbara County reported 29 active TB cases with 595 at-risk contacts identified; and

WHEREAS, through strong community partnerships, finding and treating TB supports a healthy community by enhancing local TB control and elimination efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim March 24, 2015, as World Tuberculosis Day in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this twenty-fourth day of March 2015 by a unanimous vote of all members present.