

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA ESOLUTION PROCLAIMING CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2015 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, April 2015 is Fair Housing Month and commemorates the 56th Anniversary of the State of California's fair housing laws and the 47th anniversary of the federal Fair Housing Act, providing equal housing opportunities for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, State and Federal housing laws were enacted to protect and to ensure that a fair choice of housing was available to all individuals regardless of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, sex, sexual preference, age, marital status, physical or mental disability, or any other arbitrary basis of discrimination; and

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara is committed to ensuring that all of its residents are apprised and knowledgeable of their rights and responsibilities with respect to fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, local governmental agencies, such as the Rental Housing Mediation Task Force, and non-profit organizations such as the Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County, the Independent Living Resource Center Inc., and local Community Housing Advocates have provided vital services to Santa Barbara County residents regarding fair housing, as well as legal assistance and mediation to resolve rental housing disputes; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in addition to nationally recognizing April as Fair Housing Month, is also currently promoting fair housing laws through the launch of a national University Fair Housing Education and Outreach Campaign.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors recognizes April 2015 as Fair Housing Month in the County of Santa Barbara, and urges all members of the community to educate themselves on the rights and responsibilities relating to fair housing in celebration of this observance.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 14th day of April, 2015 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



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