

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JUNE 2, 2016 WEAR ORANGE DAY IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY

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WHEREAS, gun violence is the cause of over 30,000 deaths annually in the United States, which includes homicides, suicides, accidents and other causes; and

WHEREAS, June 2 is recognized as Gun Violence Awareness Day across the United States and citizens are encouraged to wear orange to support common sense solutions that will save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Wear Orange campaign was started by high-school students from the Southside of Chicago to commemorate the loss of their fifteen-year old friend and classmate, Hadiya Pendleton, who was shot and killed in January, 2013. They chose the color orange because it is the color hunters wear in the woods to protect themselves and others; and

WHEREAS, according to the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, each day 48 youth ages 0-19 are shot and 7 die resulting in approximately 17,500 being shot and 2,650 dying from gun violence annually; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2016, Santa Barbara will join communities across the country in "The Concert Across America", a series of live events from coast to coast that is remembrance for all victims of gun violence and builds upon the June 2nd Wear Orange Day as a call to value all life by bringing an end to gun violence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED proclaims June 2, 2016 as "Wear Orange Day in Santa Barbara County" and encourages all residents to remember the victims of gun violence by participating in scheduled community events.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 17th day of May, 2016 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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Clerk of the Board

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