

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

Resolution Commemorating 100 years of health care services provided by Planned Parenthood

## **CALIFORNIA**

WHEREAS, on October 16, 1916, Margaret Sanger, Ethel Byrne, and Fania Mindell opened the first birth control health clinic in the United States in Brooklyn, New York, which later became Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and was founded on the idea that women should have the information and care they need to live strong, healthy lives and fulfill their dreams; and

WHEREAS, over the past 100 years, gains in access to birth control, safe and legal abortion, and other reproductive health services have improved and transformed the lives of women, men, and young people in the United States and around the world; and Planned Parenthood has helped lead massive changes in women's health and civil rights and has empowered millions of women, men, and young people worldwide to make informed health decisions, transforming the way they live, love, learn, and work; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood has been at the forefront of fights for social change so that access to safe and legal abortion and affordable birth control could be a reality for *all* women, regardless of their marital status, economic status, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation. The expanded availability of birth control has been widely recognized as providing one of the biggest economic advancements for women in history; and

WHEREAS, today Planned Parenthood proudly provides high-quality, affordable health care, with 90 percent of services provided being preventive health care for women, men, and young people, and is the largest provider of sex education in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood California Central Coast is the largest provider of reproductive health care services along the Central Coast providing health services to nearly 36,000 women, men, and teens each year; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors recognizes that Planned Parenthood's commitment to offer high-quality care and resources throughout Santa Barbara County has grown over the past century and is stronger than ever as it enters into its second century.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016.



Supervisor - 4th District

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

Supervisor - 5th District

Supervisor - 1st District

Supervisor - 2nd District

Supervisor - 3rd District