

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE AS SANTA BARBARA AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS- AMATEUR RADIO MONTH

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WHEREAS, Amateur (Ham) Radio operators stand ready to serve the residents of Santa Barbara County during times of emergency, providing communications to protect life and property through the use of their skills and use of advanced communications technologies; and

WHEREAS, the American Radio Relay League's Santa Barbara Section includes Ventura, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties, with a collective pool of over 5,000 operators licensed by the FCC including some 1,700 in Santa Barbara County; and

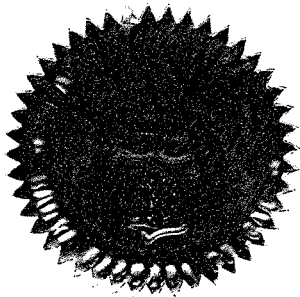
WHEREAS, during the recent fire emergency, Amateur Radio volunteers were on duty providing emergency and supplemental communications to support the protection of life, property and human services in shelters; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio operators are committed to the values of community service, continuous training, staying current with advancements in technology, providing mentorship to new operators and never charging a fee for their services; and

WHEREAS, During the fourth weekend of June each year, Amateur Radio operators conduct a national 24-hour exercise that simulates field operations under emergency conditions, this year occurring on June 23 and 24, at multiple locations within Santa Barbara County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors takes pleasure in designating June as "Amateur Radio Month" honoring the men and women who are prepared to serve the county whenever their communication skills may be necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 19th day of June 2018, by unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

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