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County of Santa Barbara California
Resolution Proclaiming September 23-29, 2018
Child Passenger Safety Week in Santa Barbara County

First SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



SUBJECT: Declaring September 23-29, 2018 Child Passenger Safety Week

**WHEREAS**, the number one preventable cause of death and injury of children is the automobile collision; and

**WHEREAS**, car seat use reduces the risk for death to infants by 71%; and to toddlers (aged 1-4 years) by 54%; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of a booster seat for children 4-8 years of age reduces the risk of serious injury by 45%; and

**WHEREAS,** 9 out of 10 car seats are installed improperly, and if used correctly, car seats can dramatically reduce the risk of serious and fatal injuries making these statistics preventable.

**WHEREAS,** the state of California requires all occupants of a motor vehicle to be properly secured and children less than 8 years of age be secured in an appropriate child safety seat, remaining in the back seat until 8 years of age or 4' 9" and as a recommendation that children under 13 years of age remain in the back seat;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors proclaims September 23-29, 2018 Child Passenger Safety Week in Santa Barbara County and encourages all residents to support and participate in child passenger safety activities.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this September 18, 2018, by unanimous vote of all members present.