

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING JUNE 7-9, 2019 AS WEAR ORANGE DAY WEEKEND IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY WEEKEND

WHEREAS, gun violence is the cause of nearly 40, 000 deaths annually in the United States, which includes homicides, suicides, accidents and other causes; and

WHEREAS, June 7-9, 2019 is recognized as Gun Violence Awareness Day Weekend 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 just one week after performing at President Obama's 2nd inaugural parade in 2013. After her death, they asked us to stand up, speak out, and Wear Orange to raise awareness about gun violence. They chose the color orange because it is the color hunters were in the woods to protect themselves and others; and

WHEREAS, the communities of Isla Vista, Santa Barbara and our nation continue to grieve from the mass shooting five years ago on May 23, 2014, killing six people and injuring thirteen others; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim June 7-9, 2019 as "Wear Orange Day Weekend 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 4th day of June, 2019.

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ATTEST: Monny Presents Clerk of the Board

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