RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2019 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the lives of women, men, children, extended families and communities continue to be negatively impacted by domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, the crime of domestic violence is not confined to any group or groups of people, but crosses all economic, racial, and social segments of our society; and

WHEREAS, men and women alike must recognize the scope of this problem and work together to create a community which does not tolerate domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County's human service agencies, including Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County, provide vital services for families impacted by domestic violence and collaboratively plan programs to prevent the intergenerational cycle of violence; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Solutions for Santa Barbara County encourages all Santa Barbara County residents to take a stand against domestic violence in their personal relationships and in their community; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Solutions will hold public Candlelight Vigils on October 17, 2019 in the City of Santa Maria and October 24, 2019 in the City of Santa Barbara to honor the lives of victims and survivors of domestic violence, and increase awareness of domestic violence in our community and nationwide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors hereby proclaimed October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urge all residents to be a part of the solution to ending domestic violence in our County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 15th day of October, 2019 by a unanimous vote of all members present.