

## Y OF SANTA BARBARA RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING CALIFORNIA

THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2020 AS CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States. In 2019, the American Cancer Society estimates that among women in the United States there will be approximately 13,170 new cases of invasive cervical cancer and 4,250 cervical cancer deaths; and

WHEREAS, Cancer was the leading cause of death in Santa Barbara County in 2018; and 43 women in the county died from cervical cancer between 2010-2018. Of the women who died from cervical cancer in this timeframe: approximately 1 of 4 were Latino and 3 of 4 were Non-Latino White, half resided in South County, 1 of 5 resided in central county, and 3 of 10 resided in North County; and

WHEREAS, health care plans now cover preventive services such as pelvic exams and pap tests and the Public Health Department's Every Woman Counts program provides support for cervical cancer screenings and diagnostic services for low-income individuals; and

WHEREAS, in the past fiscal year, 3,975 Tri-County individuals received free cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services through the Santa Barbara County's Every Woman Counts program; and 1,121 Tri-County individuals received Cervical Cancer education and referrals to free screening through Santa Barbara County's Every Woman Counts education activities and 105 immigrant Mixtec farmworker women in Santa Maria and Oxnard have been reached with cervical cancer education and referred to free screening; and

WHEREAS, in the past fiscal year, 350 Tri-County women have opted in for Screening Assistance navigation after participating in an Every Woman Counts health education activity; and 34 Tri-County women received Patient Navigation services from Santa Barbara County's Every Woman Counts nursing staff to assess and eliminate barriers to timely screening, completion of diagnostic testing, and facilitating referral for treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors does proclaim the month of January 2020 as Cervical Cancer Awareness Month to promote the health of all residents in the County of Santa Barbara.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this fourteenth day of January 2020 by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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