

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 40th ANNIVERSARY OF EARTH DAY AND COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

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WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara region is widely recognized as the birth place of the modern environmental movement. In 1969, the devastating images of a massive oil spill off Santa Barbara's coast galvanized California and the rest of the nation, and gave rise to the first Earth Day and the founding of the Community Environmental Council (CEC) in 1970; and

WHEREAS, led by CEC, for 40 years our community has consistently inspired others by building one of America's first recycling programs, pioneering now-mainstream movements such as local organic gardening, smart growth for cities and green building, and setting one of the nation's highest standards for energy efficient buildings; and

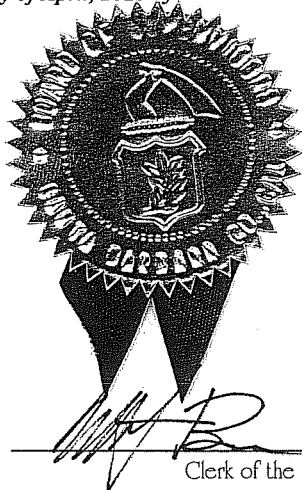
WHEREAS, CEC is now leading a campaign to move Santa Barbara County away from fossil fuels in one generation – Fossil Free by '33 – seeking to head off a nearly perfect storm of energy related concerns, including rapidly diminishing oil supplies, dependence on foreign oil, and climate change; and

WHEREAS, following the climate talks in Copenhagen in December 2009, international leaders noted that more than half of the actions needed to address global warming will be led not by national or international policies, but through local initiatives and leadership; and

WHEREAS, under the apropos 2010 theme "Bringing It Home," CEC will host Santa Barbara's 40th anniversary Earth Day Festival on April 17-18, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors hereby congratulates the Community Environmental Council for its role in sparking the first Earth Day in 1970, and for 40 years of environmental leadership.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 13th day of April, 2010 by a unanimous vote of all members present.



ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board

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