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PROCLAMATION "National Public Health Week"

Whereas, the week of April 3-9, 2017 is **NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK**, and the theme is "HEALTHIEST NATION 2030"; and

Whereas, since 1995, the American Public Health Association, through its sponsorship of National Public Health Week, has educated the public, policymakers and public health professionals about issues important to improving the public's health; and

Whereas, the American public Health Association has selected 2017 the year of Climate Chance and Health; and

Whereas, the value of a strong public health system is in the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat, and the places where we all live, learn, work and play; and

Whereas, education is the leading indicator of good health, giving people access to better jobs, incomes, and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, even in the for-profit sector, we see companies seeking a better balance between their profits and the health of their customers. As an example, CVS Health and Raley's Nob Hill stores have stopped selling tobacco products and has expanded their programs to help people quit smoking; and

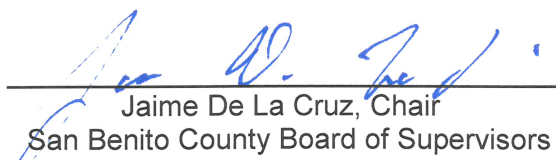
Whereas, public health action, together with scientific and technology advances, have played a major role in reducing and in some cases eliminating the spread of infectious disease, and in establishing today's disease surveillance and control systems; and

Whereas, our health is connected to our environments. What happens upstream to our environments at work, school, and home affects our health downstream; and

Whereas, according to the Institute of Medicine, despite being one of the wealthiest nations in the world, the United States ranks below many other economically prosperous and developing countries with respect to many indicators for healthy life, including life expectancy, infant mortality rates, low birth weight rates, and the rate of drug-related deaths.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the San Benito County Board of Supervisors proclaims the week of April 3-9, 2017, as **National Public Health Week 2017** in **San Benito County** and calls upon the people of this county to observe this week by helping our families, neighbors, friends, co-workers and leaders to better understand the value of public health and supporting great opportunities to adopt preventive lifestyle habits in light of this year's theme, "**Healthiest Nation 2030**".

In witness of the approval of this proclamation by the San Benito County Board of Supervisors on this 28th day of March 2017.


Jaime De La Cruz, Chair
San Benito County Board of Supervisors