

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

_____ day of _____, 2015

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 9, 2015
AS FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS DAY**

The following Resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, healthy children are the most important resource in San Luis Obispo County, and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders pose a serious threat to the potential health of our future generation; and

WHEREAS, more than thirty years have passed since Fetal Alcohol Syndrome was identified and named as a birth disorder by United States researchers; and

WHEREAS, prenatal exposure to alcohol can cause birth defects, mental retardation, learning disabilities, attention deficits, and behavior disorders; and

WHEREAS, from October 2003-March 2015, we know that over 4,591 pregnant women in San Luis Obispo County reported drinking alcohol in their first trimester; and

WHEREAS, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders are entirely preventable; and

WHEREAS, people around the world began observing International Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day on September 9th each year beginning in 1999, in order that on the ninth day of the ninth month of the year, the world will remember that during the nine months of pregnancy a woman should abstain from alcohol.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby proclaim September 9th as "Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day," to promote awareness of the effects of prenatal exposure to alcohol, to increase compassion for those individuals so affected, to minimize further effects, and to ensure healthier communities across San Luis Obispo County in the future.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is here by adopted:

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk