

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

\_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO.  
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 6-12, 2012  
AS "WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK" IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has operated the San Luis Obispo County Fire Department under a contract with the County for over 80 years; and

WHEREAS, CAL FIRE responds to an average 7,000 wildfires each year across California, many of which destroy property, take lives and damage our state's valuable watershed and precious natural resources; and

WHEREAS, living in California implies a coexistence with the serious threat of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, improving a home's resistance to wildfire and instituting a plan to leave early in a safe manner can dramatically increase the safety and survivability of the public and emergency personnel; and

WHEREAS, in California, every year has the potential for large, damaging fires to occur simply due to its Mediterranean climate; and

WHEREAS, the risk of large wildfires that threaten or take lives and destroy homes, is predicted to rise by over the next several decades as a result of climate change; and

WHEREAS, approximately 94 percent of wildfires in California are human-caused and, therefore, are preventable; and

WHEREAS, Wildfire Awareness Week is an important opportunity for California's communities and fire service agencies to reduce the risk of wildfire and increase public safety and awareness through education on fire safety, preparation and prevention; and

WHEREAS, CAL FIRE has launched a campaign aimed to educate homeowners on the steps they should take to prepare themselves, their home, and their families for wildfire with information available at [www.ReadyForWildfire.org](http://www.ReadyForWildfire.org); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2012, as "Wildfire Awareness Week" in this County.

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

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

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Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk