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PROCLAMATION

“Health Center Week”

WHEREAS, For 50 years, Community Health Centers, have provided high quality, cost effective, and accessible primary and preventative care to all individuals regardless of insurance status or ability to pay; and

WHEREAS, Health centers serve as the health care home for over 24 million Americans through more than 9,000 delivery sites across the nation. One in every fourteen people living in the United States looks to a community health center for their care; and

WHEREAS, Health centers are located in medically underserved areas and locally controlled by patient-majority boards, ensuring that each Health Center always remains responsive to the needs of the specific community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Health centers employ nearly 170,000 people, including more than 11,200 physicians and more than 9,000 nurse practitioners, physician assistants and certified nurse midwives, along with social workers, case managers, and community health workers, as part of multi-disciplinary clinical team designed to as a Patient Centered Medical Home; and

WHEREAS, Health centers remain committed to preserving and expanding access in the communities they serve, ensuring that the promise of coverage is translated into the reality of care; and

WHEREAS, National Health Center Week offers the opportunity to recognize America’s Health Centers, their dedicated staff, board members, and all those responsible for the continued success and growth of the program since its creation 50 years ago. During this National Health Center Week, we celebrate the legacy of America’s Health Centers in their vital role in shaping the future of America’s Health Care System.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State of California, County of San Benito, do hereby proclaim August 7-13, 2016, as National Health Center Week.

In witness of the approval of this proclamation by the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County on this 9th day of August 2016.

Robert Rivas, Chairman
San Benito County Board of Supervisors