

SAN BENITO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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PROCLAMATION WATER AWARENESS MONTH - MAY 2020

WHEREAS, California's arid and semiarid climate, its ambitious and evolving economy, and its continually growing population and climate change have combined to make shortages and conflicting demands the norm; and

WHEREAS, the health, welfare and quality of life for our community depends on a reliable, high quality water supply; and

WHEREAS, the state, county, cities and concerned citizens make strong efforts to foster wise decisions concerning water issues and water use; and

WHEREAS, California has enacted legislation to promote sustainable groundwater management practices; and

WHEREAS, water softeners contribute significant amounts of salt to wastewater and degrades our water supply, and results in wastewater quality that exceeds regulatory limits and hampers our recycled water efforts; and

WHEREAS, the fact that California will experience periodic droughts; whereas efficient use of water is critical not only during drought periods, **but at all times**; and;

WHEREAS, during May 2020, San Benito County is inviting everyone to find out ways to save water both at work and at home; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of San Benito County does proclaim May 2020 as Water Awareness Month and urges all citizens, businesses, industries, institutions and public agencies to review their water use and water systems for water use efficiency and to contact the Water Resources Association of San Benito County for water saving ideas and assistance