

*The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California*

In the matter of:

Resolution No. 2015/188

Recognizing June 1 – June 7, 2015, as National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillation (AED) Awareness Week; and June 2015 as National CPR / AED Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the first week of June has been declared “National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillation (AED) Awareness Week”; and the month of June 2015 has been declared National CPR / AED Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, over 400,000 Americans suffer sudden cardiac arrest each year and over 90% of those suffering sudden cardiac arrest die before reaching the hospital; and

WHEREAS, chances of survival are increased dramatically if CPR and AED resources are available and utilized within the first three to seven minutes after sudden cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, the goal of a National CPR and AED Awareness Week and Month is to encourage states, counties, cities and towns to establish well-organized programs that provide CPR and AED training and increase public access to AEDs; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association and the Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Services Agency advocate the “Chain of Survival,” which represents the five crucial links of the emergency treatment of sudden cardiac arrest. The links are:

Early Access * Early CPR * Early Defibrillation * Effective Advanced Care * Post Arrest Care

WHEREAS, Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Services is committed to strengthening the links in the chain of survival in the County; and supports widespread CPR training, and public access defibrillation (PAD) and HeartSafe Community programs; and

WHEREAS, victims of sudden cardiac arrest in Contra Costa County have been saved in 2013/2014 by the action of bystanders who began CPR and used an AED at their location in the time of such an emergency; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to increase awareness of the value of CPR training and encourage placement and use of AEDs in public places by designating Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillation (AED) Awareness:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors designates the week of June 1 - June 7, 2015 as National CPR and AED Awareness Week, and the month of June 2015 as National CPR / AED Awareness Month, encouraging all residents of Contra Costa County to learn critical lifesaving skills such as CPR and AED use, as well as encouraging communities to become HeartSafe Communities and businesses and other organizations to provide publically accessible AEDs, to register their AED(s), designate AED Responders and agree to respond to victims of sudden cardiac arrests in locations near them.

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I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: June 9, 2015

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy

