

A Tradition of Stewardship
A Commitment to Service
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NAPA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Medi-Cal Awareness Month—May 2017

WHEREAS, The California Coverage and Health Initiatives has declared May 2017 as **Medi-Cal Awareness Month**; and

WHEREAS, California's Medicaid Program, also known as Medi-Cal, provides health care coverage to nearly 14 million Californians, or over 1/3 of our state's population; and

WHEREAS, There is action pending at the federal level that threatens to take away this coverage and to make it harder to enroll in and stay enrolled in Medi-Cal; and

WHEREAS, policy changes at the federal level could cost California more than \$24 billion by 2027; and

WHEREAS, our state budget simply cannot afford those additional costs, nor can we put the health of our fellow Californians at risk by allowing them to go uninsured and lose their Medi-Cal coverage; and

WHEREAS, It is important that we all do what we can to preserve Medi-Cal for Californians at the local, state, and federal levels; and

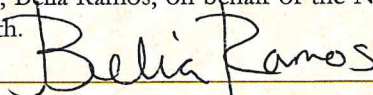
WHEREAS, this month, California Coverage and Health Initiatives' 40 members, who have a presence in 44 counties across the state and serve over half a million Californians annually, will meet with their local, state, and federal elected representatives to highlight the role of Medi-Cal in people's lives; and

WHEREAS, these local organizations, including Community Health Initiative Napa County in our community, build close relationships with our constituents and are truly the "front line" of the health care delivery system; and

WHEREAS, we strongly believe that people should have access to affordable health insurance that they can easily use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, when a person has health care and is healthy, they are better able to work, support their families, learn, and grow; and

BE IT, FURTHER, PROCLAIMED, that I, Belia Ramos, on behalf of the Napa County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim May 2017 as Medi-Cal Awareness Month.


Belia Ramos

Chair, Napa County Board of Supervisors