

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) was established by the Federal Government in 1975 to help working families, and this credit is now the nation's largest anti-poverty program for low-to moderate-income families; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2009, more than 1,000 working Napa County families received \$500,000 as EITC; and

**WHEREAS**, money received from EITC flows back into local communities to buy goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, thousands of families in Napa County are eligible for EITC, yet many do not file for this credit due to lack of information or affordable tax assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of the Bay Area, First Five Napa County, Napa Valley Community Foundation, Meyer Family Fund, Internal Revenue Service, Napa Valley College, Napa County Health and Human Services, Umpqua Bank, Mechanics Bank, Cope Family Center, Calistoga Family Center, St. Helena Family Center and American Canyon Family Resource Center and Community Action Napa Valley have come together to convene Napa County's *Earn It! Keep It! Save It! Campaign*, a public, private and non-profit collaboration that seeks to increase the income and build the assets of low-income families and individuals in the county; and

**WHEREAS**, the Internal Revenue Service encourages all communities to declare a "National Earned Income Tax Credit Day."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that I, Diane Dillon on behalf of the Napa County Board of Supervisors declares January 29, 2010 as "**National Earned Income Tax Credit Day**" in the Napa County area and hereby encourages all residents to applaud and support the above named agencies for their goal of ensuring that working families receive all tax credits they have earned.

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Diane Dillon, Chair  
Napa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Gladys I. Coil  
Clerk of the Board

