

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, according to the 2000 United States Census, California is home to more than 8.45 million people of Mexican origin, including over ninety percent of California's hired agricultural workers; and

WHEREAS, Bi-National Health Week is an event occurring in 42 California counties, 31 states, the District of Columbia, and Canada, which is designed to improve the quality of life of these immigrant families by improving access to health care, increasing health insurance coverage, and reducing their significant unmet health needs; and

WHEREAS, Bi-National Health Week has been developed under the auspices of the Health Initiative of the Americas, a program of the University of California, and benefits from the collaboration and support of a broad range of governmental and charitable agencies in California, the rest of the United States, Canada, Mexico, and other Latin American countries; and

WHEREAS, over 2,000 people were served here in Napa County during last year's Bi-National Health Week; and

WHEREAS, the health of the entire community is improved with each County resident whose access to health care is improved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold Moskowitz, on behalf of the Napa County Board of Supervisors hereby call on all of the people of Napa County to join the people of Mexico and all Californians of Latin American origin in observing and participating in Bi-national Health Week, to take place the week of October 14 to 20, 2007.

Harold Moskowitz, Chair
Napa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Gladys I. Coil
Clerk of the Board

