

**Resolution No.
Sonoma County Administration Building
Santa Rosa, CA 95403**

Date:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SONOMA,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2009 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20, 2009
TO BE RACE EQUALITY WEEK IN SONOMA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors is supportive of human rights for all citizens of Sonoma County and, in 1993, established a Commission on Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors has regularly gone on record supporting hate free community work being done by the Commission on Human Rights; and

WHEREAS the Commission on Human Rights and County of Sonoma are committed to promoting race equality and justice as a fundamental aspect of healthy communities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, CHOPS Teen Club, the City of Santa Rosa, Community Baptist Church, Community Foundation Sonoma County, Court Appointed Special Advocates, KRCB, *La Voz* Bilingual Newspaper, Sonoma County District Attorney/Victim Assistance Center, Sonoma County Office of Education, SR Print Communications, and St. Joseph Health System have joined together to plan and support this important celebration of the diversity of our community; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of our community's diversity will include educational events, programs in schools, and seminars. The festivities will culminate with the Race Equality Week Celebration at Elsie Allen High School, 599 Bellevue Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA, on September 20, 2009 as a way to experience and embrace the vibrant traditions of our respective races;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Sonoma Board of Supervisors reaffirms its commitment to ensuring race equality and justice, and to the celebration of the diversity of our community in Sonoma County, and hereby proclaims September 13, 2009 through September 20, 2009 to be Race Equality Week in Sonoma County.

Supervisors:

Brown: Kerns: Zane: Carrillo: Kelley:

Ayes: Noes: Absent: Abstain:

SO ORDERED