## **PROCLAMATION**

## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY - A PURPLE HEART COUNTY

WHEREAS, the people of Santa Cruz County have a great admiration and the upmost gratitude for the men and women who selflessly serve their country and this county in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, through the contributions and sacrifices of our veterans, our citizens and communities are afforded the ability to maintain the freedoms and way of life guaranteed to all citizens; and

WHEREAS, many men and women in uniform gave their lives while serving our nation in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, many citizens in our community were wounded during combat and earned the Purple Heart Medal in recognition of their meritorious acts of bravery and service to our communities and Nation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims Santa Cruz County to be:

## "A PURPLE HEART COUNTY"

to recognize and honor the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women, who were wounded or killed while serving to protect the freedoms enjoyed by our communities and nation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2015.

John Maynard

Chairman

Rudy Molera

Vice-Chairman

Manny Ruiz

Member