

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

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The vitality of the County of Los Angeles depends on how safe we keep our neighborhoods, work places and communities. Crime and fear diminish our trust in others and in our institutions, threatening the community's health and prosperity. All people must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves, their families, neighbors and co-workers from being harmed by drugs, violence and other crimes and must unite all elements of the community in creating a safe, healthy, crime-free environment through a series of community-based programs.

The major focus of this long-term commitment is to make a positive difference for our communities by educating our youth and adults, providing positive alternatives and role models for children, and unifying the support of the local community.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles declare the week of March 19 thru March 24, 2012 as "Safe Communities Week" in Los Angeles County and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to increase their participation in their community's crime prevention efforts to improve the quality of life for all.

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