



## PROCLAMATION

**Constitution Week**  
**September 17-23, 2010**

**WHEREAS**, our Founding Fathers, in order to secure the blessings of liberty for themselves and their posterity, did ordain and establish a Constitution for the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, it is of the greatest importance that all citizens fully understand the provisions and principles contained in the Constitution in order to effectively support, preserve and defend it against all enemies; and

**WHEREAS**, the two hundred twenty-third anniversary of the Signing of the Constitution provides an historic opportunity for all Americans to remember the achievements of the framers of the Constitution and the rights, privileges, and responsibilities they afforded us in this unique document; and

**WHEREAS**, the independence guaranteed to American citizens, whether by birth or naturalization, should be celebrated by appropriate ceremonies and activities during Constitution Week, September 17 through 23, as designated by proclamation of the President of the United States in accordance with Public Law 915,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, HELENE SCHNEIDER**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2010 as **CONSTITUTION WEEK** and urge all citizens to reflect during that week on the many benefits of our federal Constitution and the privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara, California, to be affixed this 14th day of September, 2010.



  
HELENE SCHNEIDER  
Mayor