PROCLAMATION

Presented By Supervisor Dianne Jacob

HONORING MOUNTAIN EMPIRE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the health, safety and well-being of residents is of primary concern for the County of San Diego and on July 10, 2010, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors adopted the Live Well San Diego initiative to achieve the County's vision of safe, healthy and thriving communities; and

WHEREAS, the Live Well San Diego initiative is about uniting all sectors—business, schools, military and veteran's organizations, community- and faith-based organizations, and all levels of government—in order to bring about positive change; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District recognizes the link between student health and learning and is committed to providing a comprehensive learning environment that supports and promotes wellness in a safe and respectful environment for students, staff and faculty; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District provides students with daily opportunities to be physically active, develop skills, and understand the short- and long-term benefits of a physically active lifestyles; improved the number of physical education minutes received; and increased the percentage of class time students engaged in moderate and vigorous physical activity; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District has demonstrated leadership in promoting healthy policies and environmental changes within its schools and community to access to healthier food; develop food standards for individually sold snacks and individually sold entrees, and by eliminating access to sugar-sweetened beverages; and introduced locally grown produce to school lunch programs; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District contains multiple on-site school gardens with information on the district website to advocate volunteer and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District has advocated the importance of supporting positive, healthy lifestyles choices for student, staff and community members through annual health fairs, teacher in-services and speaker presentations for parents; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Empire Unified School District demonstrates an ongoing partnership and commitment to the County's Live Well San Diego initiative by supporting the vision of healthy, safe and thriving communities and participates in the Live Well San Diego East Region Leadership Team and Substance Abuse Prevention Workgroup; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Diego is committed to recognizing and honoring those organizations that are dedicated to the best ideals of public service, and the Mountain Empire Unified School District is one such worthy organization; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROCLAIMED by Chairman Bill Horn and all members of the San Diego Board of Supervisors on this 26st day of June 2015, that they commend the **MOUNTAIN EMPIRE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT** for its outstanding service, leadership, and commitment to the health and wellness of county residents, and do hereby declare this day to be the "**MOUNTAIN EMPIRE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT LIVE WELL SAN DIEGO DAY.**"