

**RESOLUTION NO. 5007**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOLEDAD  
PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 3 - 12, 2014 AS THE FOURTEENTH  
ANNUAL BI-NATIONAL HEALTH WEEK THROUGHOUT MONTEREY COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Secretariats of Health and Foreign Affairs of Mexico, and the Foreign Affairs Ministries of Canada, Guatemala, Bolivia, Honduras, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, as well as the Institute for Mexicans Abroad, the Mexican Social Security Institute, the National Secretariat for Migrants, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Departments of Public Health, The California Endowment, California HealthCare Foundation, the Council of Mexican Federations in North America, and the Health Initiative of the Americas, a program of the University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health have organized to improve access to health care and public health information to the Latino community at the US-Mexico border and throughout the State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, improving health in migrant populations requires multiple approaches in service, design, delivery and funding priorities, and most fundamentally requires strong bi-national commitment; and

**WHEREAS**, California shares a population with Mexico, Canada, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Columbia and a need to share common strategies to address this population's health needs; Binational Health Week reflects coordinated efforts between these countries to generate a dynamic dialogue to improve the quality of life for immigrant families by expanding their access to healthcare; and

**WHEREAS**, Monterey County Binational Health Week is a multiagency collaborative effort between Mexican Secretary of Health and Foreign Affairs, and the active participation of State, County and Local Organizations such as; Employment Development Department, Monterey County Health Department, Clinica de Salud del Valle de Salinas, California Rural legal Assistance, Mexican American Opportunity Foundation, Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo, Center for Community Advocacy and Entravision.

**WHEREAS**, Binational Health Week provides an opportunity to highlight critical multidisciplinary health issues that affect the Latino community within Monterey County, and throughout the United States.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Soledad hereby proclaims the week of **October 3 - 12, 2014** as "*The Fourteenth Annual Binational Health Week*" throughout the City of Soledad.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 1st day of October, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES, and in favor thereof, Councilmembers: Christopher K. Bourke, Richard J. Perez, Mayor Pro Tem Alejandro Chavez and Mayor Fred J. Ledesma

NOES, Councilmembers: None

ABSENT, Councilmembers: Patricia D. Stephens

ABSTAIN, Councilmembers: None



FRED LEDESMA, Mayor

ATTEST:



ADELA P. GONZALEZ, City Clerk