



JOHN T. RICKARD  
MAYOR

# City of Santa Barbara

## California

### P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America, Honorable Dwight D. Eisenhower, has proclaimed the week of September 9 - 16, 1956, as National Civil Defense Week with the express purpose of focusing the attention of the American people upon civil defense needs throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, We are aware that in these days no place in America is safe from enemy action in the unhappy event of war; and

WHEREAS, We are at all times likewise subject to the possible threat of natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods and fire, which can reek havoc in our community;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOHN T. RICKARD, Mayor of the City of Santa Barbara, California, do hereby proclaim the week of September 9 - 16, 1956, as

#### CIVIL DEFENSE WEEK IN SANTA BARBARA

and I do adjure all citizens of our community to give serious thought to preparing themselves the better to meet any emergency, whether the result of natural disaster or enemy action.

I further urge that all citizens volunteer their services to the Santa Barbara Civil Defense and Disaster Corps and to the American National Red Cross in order that they may prepare themselves to serve their community more effectively in time of emergency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Santa Barbara to be hereto affixed this 6th day of September, 1956.

  
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JOHN T. RICKARD  
Mayor of the City of  
Santa Barbara, California