



Proclaiming
March 1 - 7, 2023
National Weights & Measures Week In Ventura County

WHEREAS, on March 2, 1799, the Congress of the United States enacted the nation's first weights and measures law, citing the necessity of standards of weights and measures, the need for weights and measures as a public service, the need to examine and try all weighing and measuring devices, and the need for uniformity; and

WHEREAS, Ventura County's Weights & Measures Department was created in 1915 in response to an overwhelming need to protect the interests of the purchasing public; and

WHEREAS, there are over \$12 billion worth of taxable sales transactions between buyers and sellers in Ventura County every year; and

WHEREAS, the Duties of the Weights & Measures Inspectors include: testing 54,028 commercial weighing and measuring devices, inspecting gasoline and other motor fuels, verifying weights marked on packaged goods, and ensuring pricing accuracy of 4,815 point of sale devices; and

WHEREAS, Weights and Measures laws promote and require the accurate labeling and advertisement of product identities, quantity, and prices, which facilitates value comparisons essential to a successful free enterprise market, delivers the best products for the best price, and enables manufacturers and merchants to compete fairly; and

WHEREAS, Ventura County Weights & Measures has maintained a leadership role at the state and national levels in developing and establishing regulations and the effective use of standards in commercial transactions; and

WHEREAS, March 1 through March 7, 2023 will be observed as Weights and Measures Week throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the theme, "Collaborating with Partners and Stakeholders for Greater Measure of Equity" has important significance to weights and measures jurisdictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, in special recognition of the work performed by the County Sealer and his staff, does hereby proclaim that the week of March 1 through March 7 be known as "Weights and Measures Week" in our County, and urges everyone to recognize the very valuable contribution to the economic welfare of the communities of this County being made by the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures.

Presented On This 28th Day of February 2023

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