

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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SUBMITTAL DATE:
February 24, 2004

FROM: Department of Public Social Services
Department of Mental Health
Community Health Agency
Riverside County Regional Medical Center
Area Agency on Aging

SUBJECT: Social Worker Recognition Month

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors Proclaim March 2004 Social Worker Recognition Month in the County of Riverside.

BACKGROUND: In Riverside County, there are many social workers employed in public, private and non-profit agencies. Everyday, social work heroes give a child, an adult, a senior citizen, or a family renewed hope by providing a wide range of services that promote the safety and well-being of individuals and strengthen communities.
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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature *Dan Marting*

- Policy
- Policy
- Consent
- Consent
- Dept Recomm.:
- Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 3-11-03, 2.25 | District: ALL | Agenda Number: **2.9**

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DATE: 2-24-04

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SUBJECT: Social Worker Recognition Month

BACKGROUND (CONT.):

Social workers are on the front lines helping people overcome some of life's most difficult challenges, such as: abuse, disability, physical and mental illness, addiction and more. The vital services provided by social workers include but are not limited to: protective services, counseling, advocacy, case management, and crisis intervention.

In addition to public, private and non-profit agencies, social workers are found in hospitals, schools, mental health clinics, senior centers, elected office, private practice, prisons, corporations and the military. There are over 40 areas of specialization in social work practice. According to the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), social work is one of the fastest growing careers in the United States. Currently, there are approximately 600,000 people in the United States who hold social work degrees. BLS further reported that the need for social work services is expected to increase by 30% in 2010.

By proclaiming March 2004 Social Worker Recognition Month in Riverside County, we emphasize the commitment of the Board of Supervisors to support the extraordinary efforts of Social Workers in their performance of service to communities in our county. This recognition is to take place during the same month that the State of California and the Federal Government also recognize the Social Work profession.



Board of Supervisors

**SOCIAL WORKER RECOGNITION MONTH
MARCH 2004**

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WHEREAS, Social Workers work to empower those who are frequently unheard;

WHEREAS, Social Workers open the doors of access and opportunity for everyone, particularly those in greatest need;

WHEREAS, Social Workers use their education, professional training, and commitment to improve all communities;

WHEREAS, Social Workers are dedicated advocates for the rights of others;

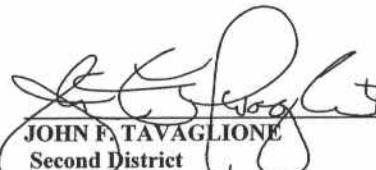
WHEREAS, Social Workers shape numerous programs and policies that strengthen individual lives and society;

WHEREAS, Social Workers make an impact in every community, whether in direct practice, administration, education and research, or policy development;

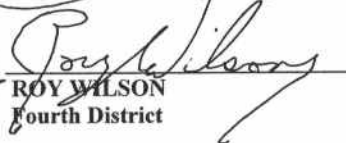
NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, in recognition of professional Social Workers and their commitment and dedication to individuals, families and communities through legislative advocacy, service delivery, research and education, does hereby proclaim the month of March, 2004, as


SOCIAL WORKER RECOGNITION MONTH and call upon all members of the community to join in celebration and support of Social Workers and the Social Work Profession.


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