

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

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FROM: DPSS/IHSS Public Authority & Office on Aging

SUBMITTAL DATE:
October 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Proclamation to Declare November 2009 Family Caregivers Month and the Second Week of November as In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Homecare Providers Recognition Week.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors officially proclaim November 2009 to be Family Caregivers Month and the second week of November as In-Home Supportive Services Homecare Providers recognition week in Riverside County.

BACKGROUND: Every November, the President of the United States proclaims November to be National Family Caregivers Month. It is designated as a time every year to thank, support, educate and celebrate the thousands of family caregivers in Riverside County. Additionally, the State of California has proclaimed the second week in November as In-Home Supportive Services Homecare Worker Recognition Week in order to recognize and appreciate the many IHSS caregivers who serve our elder and disabled citizens in Riverside County.

Caregivers, whether family members or others, provide a substantial service to the community and need to be recognized for their work.

Departmental Concurrence

Anna L. Martinez

Anna L. Martinez, Executive Director
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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:	2009/2010

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

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *Debra Courmoyer*
Debra Courmoyer

County Executive Office Signature

- Dep't Recomm.: Consent Policy
- Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: _____ District: _____ Agenda Number: **2.4**

**TO PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 2009
FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH AND
THE SECOND WEEK OF NOVEMBER
AS IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
HOMECARE PROVIDERS
RECOGNITION WEEK**

WHEREAS, during this season of thanksgiving, we are especially grateful for the caring and support of our family, friends and community. One of the most profound ways caring is expressed is through the generous support provided by family caregivers and In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Homecare Providers to individuals who are ill, elderly or disabled; and

WHEREAS, more long-term care is provided at home and in the community rather than through institutions, reliance on family caregivers grows. The National Alliance for Caregiving and Association for the Advancement of Retired Persons estimate that 21% of the population (1 in 5) provide unpaid care to friends and family members age 18 and over and the value of the services family caregivers provide is estimated to be at more than 306 billion a year. The need for caregivers will increase significantly as the baby boomers age; and

WHEREAS, in Riverside County, 16,000 valuable IHSS Homecare Providers provide essential services to 17,000 seniors and people with disabilities keeping them safe and in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, November is National Family Caregivers Month, and the State of California in 2005 voted to proclaim the second week in November as In-Home Supportive Services Homecare Worker Recognition Week; and

WHEREAS, Riverside County would like to recognize and commend the contributions of family caregivers and IHSS Homecare Providers who give their time, patience, care, and support to their families and the entire community.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, does hereby proclaim November, 2009 as a time to recognize the contributions of all caregivers, and it calls upon the people of Riverside County to observe such month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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