

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

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**FROM:** Department of Public Social Services IHSS Public Authority & Office on Aging

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
November 6, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Proclamation to Declare November 2012 Family Caregivers Month and the Second Week of November as In-Home Supportive Services Homecare Providers Recognition Week

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors proclaim November 2012 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 across the nation. Additionally, the State of California has proclaimed the second week in November as In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Homecare Provider Recognition Week. With this Proclamation we wish to recognize and honor the many IHSS caregivers who serve our senior citizens and people with disabilities 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

Ronald Stewart,  
Executive Director, IHSS Public Authority

Edward F. Walsh,  
Director, Office on Aging

Susan Loew,  
Director, Department of Public Social Services

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$0	In Current Year Budget:	n/a
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$0	Budget Adjustment:	n/a
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$0	For Fiscal Year:	12/13

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

APPROVE

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

BY:   
Debra Courmoyer

**County Executive Office Signature**

- Policy
- Consent
- Policy
- Consent

Dep't Recomm.:  
Per Exec. Ofc.:

**Prev. Agn. Ref.:** 2.3 (11/5/11); 2.6 (11/09/10)

**District:** All

**Agenda Number:**

**2.12**

**IN RECOGNITION OF  
FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH AND  
IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES  
HOMECARE PROVIDERS  
RECOGNITION WEEK**

WHEREAS, during this season of thanksgiving, as we pause to reflect on our many blessings, 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, in Riverside County there are more than 17,500 IHSS homecare providers delivering essential services to over 19,200 seniors and people with disabilities, keeping them safe in their own homes and living with independence and dignity; and

WHEREAS, the reliance on family caregivers continues to grow as more families are choosing to provide long-term care at home rather than through nursing homes, long-term care facilities or hospitals. The National Alliance for Caregiving and Evercare states that the value of unpaid services family caregivers provide is estimated to be over 375 billion a year.

WHEREAS, November is National Family Caregivers Month and since 2005 the State of California has proclaimed the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in November as In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Homecare Provider Recognition Week;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, does hereby proclaim November, 2012 as a time 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.