

Proclamation OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing

March 2022 as Social Work Month in the County of El Dorado "The Time is Right for Social Work"

WHEREAS, the National Association of Social Workers identified this year's theme as, "The Time is Right for Social Work", which embodies how our social workers rose to meet the needs of our community during the most pressing challenges of all of our lifetimes, the COVID-19 pandemic and the Caldor Fire, even as our nation grapples with other crises;

WHEREAS, Social Work and Mental Health staff comprise over 21% of El Dorado County's Health and Human Services Agency staffing and are dedicated to improving the lives of those marginalized in our community;

WHEREAS, the Social Work Profession for decades has been dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic needs of all people;

WHEREAS, Social Workers are on the front lines in our community to address child abuse and neglect, elder and dependent adult abuse, substance use disorders, mental illness, and homelessness;

WHEREAS, Social Workers have continued to push for changes that have made our society a better place to live, including a livable wage, improved workplace safety, and social safety net programs that help ameliorate poverty, hunger, and homelessness;

WHEREAS, Social Workers possess the necessary expertise to assist our nation in some of its most demanding concerns, including their health and well-being not only during the pandemic, but at all times, ensuring equal rights, improved health care and mental health care for all;

WHEREAS, Social Workers work in all facets of our society to meet people no matter their circumstance and empower them to live to their fullest potential; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim March 2022 to be Social Work Month. The Board of Supervisors urge every resident to recognize the numerous contributions made by El Dorado County's Social Workers, and calls upon all citizens to join the National Association of Social Workers and The County in celebration and support of the Social Work Profession.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 15th day of March, 2022, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest:

Kim Dawson

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Deputy Clerk

Lori Parlin, Chair, Board of Supervisors