

## COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2006 AS NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH

**WHEREAS** social workers have attained the education and experience to guide individuals, families, and communities through complex issues and choices;

WHEREAS social workers connect individuals, families and communities to available resources;

WHEREAS social workers are dedicated to improving the society in which we live;

WHEREAS social workers are positive and compassionate professionals;

**WHEREAS** social workers stand up for others to ensure that everyone has access to the same basic rights, protections and opportunities;

WHEREAS social workers help people help themselves, whenever and wherever they need it most;

**WHEREAS** the theme for Social Work Month 2006 is "Life's Journey: Help Starts Here", focusing on issues related to aging. The demand for social work will increase as the baby boom generation ages and the proportion of older people rises, resulting in increased issues and needs facing this population; and,

**WHEREAS** every day, more than half a million social workers wake up knowing they will help a child, an adult or an organization reach its potential, strengthening communities, one family at a time.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara recognizes March 2006 as NATIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH, in recognition, celebration and support of our County's professional social workers and their commitment and dedication to individuals, families and our community.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this twenty-first day of March, two thousand and six, by a unanimous vote of all members present.

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2nd District

3rd District

4th District

Supervisor ~ 5th District

ATTEST:

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