

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 2007 "PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS MONTH" IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WHEREAS, the profession of social work is dedicated to strengthening and empowering families and individuals to meet their full potential in our society and to helping those people socially and economically disadvantaged and oppressed to experience freedom and justice; and

WHEREAS, social workers mentor and assist children and adolescents in schools and the community to help them develop self esteem and promote their psychological and social growth, and work in public and non profit agencies to prevent abuse and neglect of children and all people; and

WHEREAS, professional social workers in the United States are the major providers of psychosocial services in our mental health clinics and hospitals, and psychotherapeutic services to troubled individuals, families, and those affected by alcohol and drug abuse; and

WHEREAS, professional social workers on hospital and clinic staffs help those recovering from illness and loss, and those working in the community provide assistance to the elderly, and offer guidance and assistance to those affected by natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, professional social workers strive for peace and equality in our society and throughout the world community; and social workers by their collective efforts benefit Santa Barbara County by providing valuable information to those in government and passing their commitment on to future generations of social workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims Marc, 2007 as "Professional Social Workers Month" in Santa Barbara County and encourages local citizens to work with professional social workers and others in support of programs and activities designed to strengthen all those living in our county in order that they may realize lives of accomplishment, dignity, and purpose.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California this 27th day of March, 2007 by unanimous vote of all members present.

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