



**Health & Human Services  
Agency  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

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**AGENDA DATE:** March 19, 2019

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**SUBJECT:** Proclamation recognizing March 2019 as Social Work Month

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:  
Present a Proclamation recognizing March 2019 as Social Work Month

**SUMMARY:**  
Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency employs over 250 social workers who use their talents every day to serve the residents of Tulare County. Social workers are a vital component to strengthening and improving the quality of life of Tulare County residents. Social workers have a critical impact in adolescent and youth development, aging and family caregiving, child protection and family services, health care navigation, mental and behavioral health treatment, community development, and poverty reduction. They confront some of the most challenging issues facing individuals, families, communities, and society and forge solutions that help people reach their full potential.

The National Association of Social Workers has announced the theme for Social Work Month of 2019 as "Elevate Social Work." This theme embodies the need to recognize the extraordinary contributions of the profession to our society. Every day in communities throughout Tulare County, social workers are dedicated to enhancing well-being and helping meet the basic needs of all people, especially those who are vulnerable, oppressed and living in poverty. Social workers elevate and empower people, giving them the ability to solve problems, cope with personal roadblocks and get the resources they need to succeed. Social workers travel across the nation and world to help people in crisis, helping them overcome issues such as death and grief, epidemics, environmental pollution and natural disasters

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such as wild fires, hurricanes and floods.

The goal of National Social Work Month is to turn the spotlight on the profession and highlight the important contributions and changes social workers make to our society. Every March, social workers are recognized nationwide for their dedication and sacrifices they make in order to elevate and empower people, giving them the ability to solve problems, cope with personal roadblocks and get the resources they need to succeed.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no cost associated with this Proclamation; therefore, there is no additional net cost to the County General Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Safety and Security, Quality of Life, and Economic Well-Being initiatives. Social workers promote and encourage the provision of quality supportive services for individuals in Tulare County by helping meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable. Social Work Month recognizes social workers who improve the quality of life for residents of Tulare County by celebrating the individuals who advocate and provide quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in Tulare County.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



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Juliet Webb  
Director of Human Services

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Proclamation