

PROCLAMATION

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MARCH 2012 AS

National Social Work Month

WHEREAS, the Social Work profession has been instrumental in advances for civil and human rights in the United States and globally for more than a century; and

WHEREAS, the primary mission of Social Work is to enhance human well-being and help meet the people's basic needs, especially the most vulnerable in our society; and

WHEREAS, programs and services provided by Social Workers are essential elements of the American social safety net; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers have pivotal impact on reducing poverty; child and adolescent development; child protection and family services; mental and behavioral health treatment; nonprofit management and community development; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers function as specialists, consultants, private practitioners, educators, community leaders, policymakers and researchers; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers seek to improve social conditions for people in emotional, psychological, economic and/or physical need; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers are experts in care coordination, case management, and therapeutic treatment for biopsychosocial issues spanning more than 50 different fields of practice; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers believe that a community's strength depends on the ability of its citizens to lead healthy and productive lives; and

WHEREAS, Social workers help people, who are often navigating major life challenges, find hope and new options for achieving their maximum potential.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, our nation is more successful because of America's 640,000 social workers, the Board of Supervisors proclaims March 2012 Professional Social Work Month and calls upon all county residents to join San Mateo County in celebration of the Social Work profession.

Dated: MARCH 13, 2012

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