

**Proclamation**  
**OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO**  
**Recognizing**  
**National Volunteer Week**  
**April 10 – 16, 2016**

**WHEREAS**, President Richard Nixon established National Volunteer Week by executive order in 1974 as a way to recognize and celebrate the efforts of volunteers, and since that time every sitting U.S. president has issued a proclamation during National Volunteer Week; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteers strengthen our community by generously donating their time, energy, and talents to make a difference in the lives of those around us, often with few resources or any expectation of gain in return; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteers provide vital support to multiple County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency programs including, but not limited to, Animal Services, Foster Care Services, In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority, Long Term Care Ombudsman, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Mental Health Services, Public Health Nursing, Public Health Preparedness and Response, Senior Activities, Senior Legal Services, Senior Nutrition, Senior Peer Counseling, Senior Shuttle, Senior Day Care, Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program, Social Services Programs, and the You Are Not Alone Telephone Reassurance Program; and


**WHEREAS**, volunteers provide support to these programs through activities such as entertaining senior day care members, congregate and home delivery meal service for seniors, support for family visitations for children in care, reassurance calls to seniors living alone, providing support to at-risk older adults, assisting at the Mental Health Wellness Center, exercising and socializing animals, cleaning shelter kennels, driving seniors to grocery shop and other social events, helping seniors understand and enroll in Medicare, assisting with flu clinics, and receiving complaints regarding long term care facilities just to name a few; and


**WHEREAS**, more than 600 volunteers provide service annually to the aforementioned Health and Human Services Agency programs, which enhance existing services and makes available additional services that otherwise may not be provided; and

**WHEREAS**, volunteers are an essential component to the success of many services provided throughout the County and the efforts of all the volunteers are greatly appreciated and valued; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors recognize the week of April 10 through April 16, 2016, as National Volunteer Week and formally thank those that volunteer their time and energy to support and improve the community.

**Passed** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, by the following vote of said Board:

By:   
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Deputy Clerk

  
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Ron Mikulaco, Chair, Board of Supervisors