



## ***PROCLAMATION***

### **OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Proclaiming April 2018 as National Volunteer Month**

***WHEREAS***, in 1974, President Richard Nixon noted the “Spirit of Volunteerism” as one of the hallmarks of American life when he signed Presidential Proclamation 4288 to formally recognize the calendar week beginning April 21, 1974, as “National Volunteer Week” to honor those who give countless hours for the betterment of our communities; and,

***WHEREAS***, President George H. W. Bush brought renewed attention to the significance volunteers make in their communities and throughout our nation through his efforts in recognizing more than 1,000 volunteers as “points of light” and as part of his advocacy that these “Thousand Points of Light” demonstrate how a neighbor can help a neighbor; and,

***WHEREAS***, the annual recognition of one week in April as “National Volunteer Week” has continued at the national level, by individual states and at the local community level through various efforts to acknowledge the value of volunteers who make a profound difference in the lives of others simply by answering the call to volunteer; and,

***WHEREAS***, over time the annual recognition of volunteers grew to include April as “National Volunteer Month” to recognize all who volunteer and to thank them for the valuable contribution of their time, energy and talent every day and year-round so as to improve the lives of others; and,

***WHEREAS***, recognizing that residents of all ages have talents, resources and interests to share, the month of April also provides an opportunity to increase the awareness of the numerous volunteer opportunities that exist in all types of organizations and programs for those who seek to enrich the lives of others, as well as their own, through volunteer service.


***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED***, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim April 2018 as “National Volunteer Month” in the County of El Dorado and does extend its gratitude to the men, women and children throughout the County of El Dorado who make our communities stronger in joining their friends, neighbors and fellow citizens to improve the lives of others.

***PASSED AND ADOPTED*** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held this 3rd day of April, 2018.

**Attest:**

James S. Mitrisin  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Deputy Clerk

  
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Michael Ranalli  
Chair, Board of Supervisors