

Proclamation OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing National Volunteer Week April 15-21, 2012

Hospice and Palliative Care Volunteers: We Listen, We Care!

Whereas, hospice care in the United States was born out of the dedication work of volunteers and continues to keep volunteers at the heart of care; and

Whereas, more than 458,000 trained volunteers are working to support programs, patients and families throughout the nation; and

Whereas, it is estimated that hospice and palliative care volunteers contribute more than 21 million hours of service annually; and

Whereas, the over 400 volunteers of Snowline Hospice provide thousands of hours of selfless service every year on behalf of care at life's end and are shining examples of the compassion found within our community; and

Whereas, these volunteers are an essential part of that team that makes sure that patients and families – who are our neighbors, coworkers, and friends – find comfort, dignity and respect; and

Whereas, National Volunteer Week provides the opportunity to recognize the contributions of caring hospice volunteers and raise awareness of the benefits of hospice and palliative care;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim April 15 - 21, 2012 as National Volunteer Week and encourages the support and participation of all citizens in learning more about and participating in, the provision of hospice and palliative care to those in our community.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 17th day of April, 2012.

Attest: Suzanne Allen de Sanchez Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by:

Deputy Clerk

Chair, Board of Supervisors