# **EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

Meeting of September 26, 2006

September 20, 2000			
AGENDA TITLE: Proclamation of October 2006 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in El Dorado County			
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Human Services (Social Svcs.)	DEPT	SIGNOFE	CAO USE ONLY:
CONTACT: John Litwinovich		Burg	
<b>DATE:</b> 8/30/2006 <b>PHONE:</b> 6163	phi		
DEPARTMENT SUMMARY AND REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:			
Human Services, Social Services Division, recommends the Board adopt a proclamation designating October 2006 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in El Dorado County and present said proclamation to a representative of the El Dorado Women's Center, calling upon all citizens to observe this month and to support those who are working toward ending domestic violence.			
CAO RECOMMENDATIONS:			
Financial impact? () Yes (X) No		Funding Source:	() Gen Fund () Other
BUDGET SUMMARY:		Other:	
Total Est. Cost	\$0.00	CAO Office Use	
Funding		4/5's Vote Req	uired () Yes () No
Budgeted		Change in Policy () Yes () No	
New Funding		New Personnel () Yes () No	
Savings*		CONCURRENCES:	
Other		Risk Management	
Total Funding			el
Change in Net County Cost	\$0.00	Other	
*Explain			
BOARD ACTIONS:			
Vote: Unanimous Or	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of		
Ayes:	an action taken and entered into the minutes of the Board of Supervisors		
Noes:	Date:		
Abstentions:	Date:		
Absent:	Attest: Cindy Keck, Board of Supervisors Clerk		
Rev. 5/04 ISKW001 Agenda	By:		



EL DORADO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES John Litwinovich Director

August 30, 2006

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors 330 Fair Lane Placerville, California 95667

Members of the Board:

Title: Proclamation of October 2006 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in El Dorado County

#### **Recommendations:**

Human Services, Social Services Division, recommends the Board adopt a proclamation designating October 2006 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in El Dorado County and present said proclamation to a representative of the El Dorado Women's Center, calling upon all citizens to observe this month and to support those who are working toward ending domestic violence.

#### **Reasons for Recommendations:**

In the United States, domestic partners are battered every 9 seconds. Nationwide, approximately 4 million incidents of domestic violence were reported in 2005. Children growing up in a violent home suffer extreme psychological trauma, and many will repeat the cycle in their own relationships. Annually, the month of October is acknowledged as National Domestic Violence Awareness month. Numerous local entities work with the local Women's Center to engage in activities designed to increase public awareness of and work towards ending the cycle of domestic violence. The proclamation recognizes these efforts and calls upon all citizens to support this endeavor.

Fiscal Impact: None

Net County Cost: N/A

#### Action to be Taken Following Approval:

Chairman to present the Proclamation to a representative of the El Dorado Women's Center.

Sincerely,

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Yohn Litwinovich Director of Human Services



### PROCLAMATION OF THE

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

# PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 2006 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH IN EL DORADO COUNTY

*WHEREAS*, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all ethnic origins, ages, socioeconomic levels and genders; and

*WHEREAS*, the crime of domestic violence violates an individual's privacy, dignity, security and humanity due to the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual, psychological and economic control or abuse, and

*WHEREAS*, in our country, more than three women are murdered by their husbands or domestic partners every day, and approximately 4 million incidents of domestic violence were reported in the United States in the year 2005, and

*WHEREAS*, children who grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average, and

WHEREAS, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters and foster care, sick leave, absenteeism and non-productivity, and

*WHEREAS*, a coalition of organizations and county agencies exists to directly confront this crisis, including law enforcement, those involved with shelters and hotline services, health care providers, mental health and human services, the faith community and other concerned citizens who are helping in the effort to end domestic violence, and

*WHEREAS*, we must recognize the compassion and dedication of these volunteers and professionals, applaud their efforts and increase public understanding of this important problem.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT* the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado hereby declares the month of October 2006 as DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH and calls upon all citizens to observe this month, since domestic violence affects everyone, and to support those who are working toward ending domestic violence.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 26th day of September, 2006.

Attest: Cindy Keck Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Deputy Clerk

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