

Proclamation OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Recognizing National Volunteer Week April 18-24, 2021

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was established by executive order in 1974 to 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 County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency programs including, but not limited to, Animal Services, Long Term Care Ombudsman, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Behavioral Health Services, Senior Activities, Senior Nutrition, Senior Peer Counseling, Senior Shuttle, Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program, You Are Not Alone Telephone Reassurance Program, and Veterans Affairs; and

WHEREAS, remarkably, even throughout the challenging COVID-19 pandemic, more than 400 volunteers provided over 30,000 hours to support programs through activities such as entertaining senior day care members, home delivery meal service for older adults, reassurance calls to older adults living alone, providing support to atrisk older adults, assisting at the Behavioral Health Wellness Center, providing assistance to Veterans, exercising, socializing and providing homes for animals, cleaning shelter kennels, driving older adults to grocery shop and other social events, helping older adults understand and enroll in Medicare, assisting with flu clinics, and receiving complaints regarding long term care facilities just to name a few; 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 18 through April 24, 2021, 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 20st day of April, 2021, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest: Kim Dawson Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:

Deputy Clerk