

# *Resolution No. 2017-*

## **RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING JUNE 25 - JULY 1, 2017 AS WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the threat of wildfire is omnipresent in many parts of California, a hazard that has only intensified following a rainy season that produced extensive rainfall and largely brought an end to the multi-year drought condition that has plagued the state. With that abundant rainfall, however, brings abundant dry grass and vegetation that can serve as fuel for wildfire; and

**WHEREAS**, wildfire season is already upon us. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has reported that more than 400 wildfires this year have burned more than 7,000 acres. When a wildfire occurs, residents rely on government agencies such as rural fire protection districts, city fire departments, county offices of emergency services, CAL FIRE and even law enforcement agencies to respond; and

**WHEREAS**, fire officials encourage residents to prepare for wildfire by cutting back dry grass and vegetation around their homes. Maintaining 100 feet of defensible space around structures can increase the chances of surviving a wildfire; and

**WHEREAS**, firefighting alone cannot protect all residents and their property from the devastation of wildfire, especially those living in areas of increased fire risk. It is important that all citizens take an active role in fire prevention and do their part to raise awareness; and

**WHEREAS**, simple steps can be taken to prepare for wildfire. CAL FIRE provides information to all residents through the [www.ReadyForWildfire.org](http://www.ReadyForWildfire.org) website and mobile device application. These tools include step-by-step checklists for homeowners that include information on how to establish defensible space, create a family evacuation plan, emergency supply kit and more.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes June 25 - July 1, 2017 as Wildfire Awareness Week in Solano County.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017

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JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:  
BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

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Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk