

Resolution No. 2021 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2021 AS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, Counties are one of America's oldest forms of government, dating back to 1634 when the first county governments were established, and, ever since, county governments have continued to evolve and adapt to changing responsibilities, environments and populations; and

WHEREAS, America's 3,069 county governments serve 350 million Americans to provide the essential services to create healthy, safe and vibrant communities while protecting the safety and welfare of all residents in efficient and cost-effective ways; and

WHEREAS, governed by local elected officials, no two counties are the same, each structured a little different, using policy direction on a local level to determine the best way to deliver services to communities; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "Counties Matter," which is consistent with NACo President Mary Ann Borgeson's initiative, focusing on the public health emergency we face across the country, emphasizing now, more than ever, residents are seeing firsthand the essential functions counties perform; and

WHEREAS, Nationally, Counties support over 900 hospitals, operate more than 1,900 public health departments and staff Emergency Operation Centers, providing communities with access to local assistance during emergencies, including wildfires, floods and other natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, during these extraordinary times, the public turns to Counties for access to the programs, services and information they need to stay safe, stay healthy and stay informed, and in Solano County, our 3,000 plus dedicated employees are implementing creative solutions through technology to help keep essential operations open and accessible for the public; and

WHEREAS, our County Public Health division is working collectively with all County departments, the seven cities, community healthcare partners and Travis Air Force Base to help the public navigate access to critical healthcare services, including mass vaccine events, testing and social distancing best practices during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Departments of Resource Management, Environmental Health division and Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services, Emergency Operations Center, helps residents and property owners impacted by the 2020 LNU Lightning Complex fire identify and access resources as part of the ongoing recovery process; and

WHEREAS, Counties also provide vital services to all Americans, from issuing birth certificates and marriage licenses to building and maintaining park systems, community centers, libraries and cultural centers. Counties are responsible for managing elections, from local to presidential – all while balancing numerous administrative responsibilities, like billion dollar budgets – with the core mission to deliver the essential services to ensure healthy, vibrant and safe communities across these United States; and

WHEREAS, Solano County is committed to providing all residents of Solano County with the programs and services they need, giving them the ability to thrive where they live, learn work and play; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the month of April as National County Government Month in Solano County.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2021

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

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

By: _____
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk