

Resolution No. 2017 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING APRIL 23 - 29, 2017 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, during National Volunteer Week, we celebrate the spirit of service in America and honor those who demonstrate the great character of our country through acts of kindness, generosity, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Week was created in 1974 when President Richard Nixon signed an executive order to establish the week as an annual celebration of volunteering, and every year since that time, each U.S. President, along with many governors, mayors and other elected officials, has signed a proclamation promoting National Volunteer Week; and

WHEREAS, volunteers perform valuable work every day across the county and commit to do more for their neighbors in need. The Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates about 62.3 million people volunteer through or for an organization in 2016 with a volunteer rate of approximately 24.8 percent – volunteering an average of 52 hours per year; and

WHEREAS, in Solano County, 2,240 volunteers served more than 91,400 hours in 2016, approximately 13.6 percent more hours than in 2015, all in support of County operations, serving on boards and commissions, working directly with County departments including the Sheriff, Library, Parks, Veterans Services, District Attorney, Health and Social Services, Public Defender, Historical Records collection, Emergency Operations, Search and Rescue, UC Cooperative Extension and more; and

WHEREAS, when tallied up, volunteers gave the equivalent of 44 full-time County employees time to assist and serve others in Solano County in 2016, significantly enhancing the County's programs and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors pause in its deliberations to proclaim the week of April 23 - 29, 2017 as National Volunteer Week in Solano County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors salutes and commends the volunteers across this county for their countless contributions and urge all residents to continue upholding this volunteer spirit and answering the call to service.

Dated this 25th day of April, 2017

JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk