

Resolution No. 2019 -

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING APRIL 7 - 13, 2019 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 60 million people volunteer through or for an organization in 2018 with a volunteer rate of approximately 24.6 percent – volunteering an estimated 7.8 billion hours; and

WHEREAS, in Solano County, 2,263 volunteers served a combined 79,544 hours in 2018, all in support of County operations, serving on boards and commissions, as master gardeners, 4H leaders, reading to children and adults, search and rescue, fire protection, community health, open space, the arts, parks and recreation, transportation, senior citizens, resource conservation, public safety and emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, an additional 2,308 Solano County volunteers participated in a one-day national Coastal Cleanup day, serving at 64 sites throughout Solano County, helping maintain our scenic waterways, including parts of Lake Berryessa, giving a one-day total of 6,924 hours; and

WHEREAS, when tallied up, volunteers gave the equivalent of 38 full-time County employees time to assist and serve others in Solano County in 2018, 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 7-13, 2019 as National Volunteer Week in the County of Solano.

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 9th day of April, 2019

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk