

## PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, social workers are vital to strengthening the well-being of children, families, veterans, adults with disabilities, and seniors by ensuring access to resources to meet their needs in order to thrive;

**WHEREAS**, this year's Social Work Month theme, "**Empowering Social Workers!**" accurately captures the critical and heroic work of social workers to inspire action and lead change that is essential to community well-being, addressing both personal or systemic barriers to optimal living to effect positive change with individuals, families, groups, and entire communities;

**WHEREAS**, social workers fill critical roles working with children, families, veterans, and adults ensuring the safety and well-being of our communities;

**WHEREAS**, social workers elevate and empower people to live to their fullest potential, giving them the ability to solve problems, cope with personal roadblocks, and access the resources they need to succeed;

**WHEREAS**, the social workers are critical to implementing and supporting programs and changes that make our community a safer, kinder, and better place to live by supporting families and safety net programs that help prevent and address poverty and hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, social workers stand ready and have the expertise to help our community handle some of its most pressing issues, including supporting equal access to health care, mental health care, and economic opportunities; ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable adults; and providing crucial economic safety nets;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara does hereby honor and proclaim March 2024 as

## SOCIAL WORK MONTH

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, by the Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara, State of California on this Twenty-Seventh day of February, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four by unanimous vote.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



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