



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date:

March 4, 2014

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Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head:

Sherri E. Fleming, County Executive of Travis County Health and Human Services & Veterans Service

Commissioners Court Sponsor:

Judge Samuel T. Biscoe

AGENDA LANGUAGE:

Approve Resolution Recognizing The Month Of March 2014 As "Professional Social Work Month" In Travis County.

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY OF REQUEST AND ATTACHMENTS:

Naming March 2014 as "Professional Social Work Month" in Travis County provides opportunity to recognize and thank the work of Social Workers through Travis County. Social Workers work for the County in positions in the Courts, Health and Human Services, Juvenile Justice, Adult Probation and other departments. The University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work is one of the top ranked Social Work programs in the country. The social work profession has been instrumental in achieving civil rights and human rights advances in the United States and across the globe for more than a century. The primary mission of social work is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic needs of all people, especially the most vulnerable. Travis County Commissioners Court has issued Social Work month proclamations in past years and recognized Social Workers who are employees.

ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES:

None.

FISCAL IMPACT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

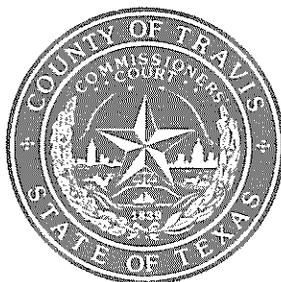
None.

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS:

Mary Etta Gerhardt, Assistant County Attorney'
 Leslie Browder, County Executive, Planning and Budget Office
 Cyd Grimes, CPM, Travis County Purchasing Agent
 Nicki Riley, CAP, CMA, Travis County Auditor
 Patty Lennon, Financial Analyst, Travis County Auditor's Office
 Aerin Toussaint, Analyst, Planning and Budget Office
 Sherri Fleming, County Executive, HHSVS

AGENDA REQUEST DEADLINE: All agenda requests and supporting materials must be submitted as a pdf to the County Judge's office, agenda@co.travis.tx.us by Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. for the next week's meeting.

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Proclamation

TRAVIS COUNTY SOCIAL WORK MONTH 2014 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Social Workers strive to act as positive change agents who dedicate their careers to empowering people to restore their lives through individual and community growth efforts. The principal aim of Social Work Practice is to enhance human welfare and aid individuals in meeting their basic needs, specifically focusing on populations who are most vulnerable.

WHEREAS, Social Workers influence a plethora of private and public organizations and human service systems. These agencies range from hospices and hospitals, schools and clinics, to businesses and corporations, military units, elected offices, community collaborations and foundations.

WHEREAS, Social Workers are advocates for access, equality and fairness in the allocation and utilization of resources and social services. The Social Work profession was established more than 100 years ago with the intent to provide a catalyst for Americans to overcome poverty, illness, addiction, abuse, discrimination and other adversities.

WHEREAS, the Social Work profession works to stimulate system level change with the intent of promoting the wellbeing of our communities as a whole.

WHEREAS, Schools of Social Work provide training and educational experiences that cultivate professionals who value the importance of leadership and service. Social Workers strengthen communities, expand opportunities, and work to facilitate humanitarian policy and legislative changes with the objective of improving the lives of everyone.

WHEREAS, every day Social Workers uphold the ethical principles outlined by the National Association of Social Workers in order to provide the highest quality of service and support for their clients.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE TRAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT THE MONTH OF MARCH 2014 BE OBSERVED AS PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH IN TRAVIS COUNTY. TRAVIS COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO RECOGNIZE PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS AND THEIR COMMITMENT AND DEDICATIONS TO INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS 4TH DAY OF MARCH, 2014.

SAMUEL T. BISCOE
COUNTY JUDGE

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COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

BRUCE TODD
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

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