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To: Darlene Bloom, Clerk of the Board

From: Supervisor Pat Bates

SUBJECT: ADDITION OF RESOLUTION - SUPPLEMENTAL

Please add the resolution for "National Professional Social Worker Month" for Board approval to the March 13, 2007, Board supplemental agenda.

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***Social Worker Recognition
March 2007***

By the authority of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, the following resolution is hereby issued:

WHEREAS, the social work profession emanated from a shared concern for humanity, a belief in the dignity and worth of every person, a commitment to champion the welfare of people being served, and a dedication to working to advance social justice; and

WHEREAS, social work provides the frontline of defense in the system of services aimed at protecting children, the elderly, and dependent adults from neglect, abuse, and exploitation so that the home environment can be truly safe, loving, warm, and nurturing; and

WHEREAS, social work also offers services that foster independence and self-sufficiency from public assistance through employment services to people who are dependent on welfare and to newly relocated immigrants; and

WHEREAS, social work also provides the resources, training, administrative support and quality control needed for delivering professional, efficient, responsive and mandated services to residents of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, nearly 1035 social work employees provide services pertaining to out-of-home care, family maintenance, emergency response, adoption, foster families, in-home support services, and elder abuse, as well as employment opportunities to several thousand families every month; and

WHEREAS, because every case is different and unique, social workers must rely on their educational backgrounds, critical thinking abilities, and decision-making skills to make the best possible evaluation and effectively care for their clients; and

WHEREAS, social workers within the County of Orange are held in the highest regard and exemplify the best in moral and ethical performance, adhering to the belief that by helping one person at a time, the entire community will benefit through their efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS does hereby declare the month of March 2007 to be "Social Worker Recognition Month" in Orange County to honor social workers for their competence and professionalism, commends them for their excellence, devotion, compassion, and diligence, and extends its best wishes to all social workers who serve in both the public and private sector throughout Orange County for continued success in bettering and brightening people's lives and in all of their current and future endeavors.