

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-2a

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE April 28, 2009

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim May 1, 2009 as Silver Star Banner Day in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim May 1, 2009 as Silver Star Banner Day in Stanislaus County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-257

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor Grover

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Grover, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

County Board of Supervisors
Stanislaus County, CA

Dear Board Members:

My name is Kathy Landess and I am writing on behalf of The Silver Star Families of America (SSFoA) in the state of California. SSFoA (www.silverstarfamilies.org) is a 501 c 3 non-profit, all volunteer organization that was formed to remember our wounded and ill active duty troops and veterans by honoring them with a Silver Star Banner or Flag. We also provide services like care packages to our wounded and maintain a Yahoo message board where we try to provide a safe place for families to talk, pass along vital information and to gather data they would have difficulty finding by themselves.

One way we remember and honor our wounded/ill active duty troops and veterans is through Silver Star Banner Day, May 1st. Please join with us to give our wounded and ill the nation's biggest THANK YOU ever by signing a proclamation recognizing May 1st as Silver Star Banner Day. A sample proclamation is attached below. We thank you for your patriotism and care/respect for the wounded and ill, and veterans of our Armed Forces; and for recognizing May 1st as Silver Star Banner Day in 2009.

Once your proclamations are received and documented by National, they will be donated to the Stars and Stripes Museum where the original Silver Star Flag is on display for all to see. This is what the 2009 page looks like: <http://www.silverstarfamilies.org/SilverStarBannerDay2009.html> We currently have 1,064 towns/cities/counties and 32 states/territories onboard (totals changing everyday).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Steve Newton (SSFoA Founder). Our contact info appears below. Even if you cannot meet the timeline, we would greatly appreciate knowing we have your interest and support.

The signed proclamation may be sent to The Silver Star Families of America (National), 525 Cave Hollow Road, Clever, MO 65631. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathy Landess
Executive Veterans Affairs Director/Tribal Liaison - SSFoA
California State Coordinator - SSFoA

Silver Star Shining for Sacrifice
Honoring our Wounded /Ill and Veterans

SAMPLE ~ Silver Star Banner Day COUNTY Proclamation or Resolution 2009 ~ SAMPLE

WHEREAS, the County of _____ has always honored the sacrifice of the men and women in the Armed Forces and

WHEREAS, The Silver Star Families of America was formed to make sure we remember the blood sacrifice of our wounded and ill by designing and manufacturing a Silver Star Banner and Flag and

WHEREAS, to date The Silver Star Families of America has freely given thousands of Silver Star Banners to the wounded and their families, and

WHEREAS, the members of The Silver Star Families of America have worked tirelessly to provide the wounded of this County and Country with Silver Star Banners, Flags and care packages, and

WHEREAS, The Silver Star Families of America's sole mission is that every time someone sees a Silver Star Banner in a window or a Silver Star Flag flying, that people remember the sacrificed for this County, State and Nation and

WHEREAS, the people and leadership of _____ wish that the sacrifice of so many in our Armed Forces never be forgotten

NOW THEREFORE, the County of _____ does hereby proclaim our appreciation of The Silver Star Families of America and honor their commitment to our wounded Armed Forces members. We do hereby declare May 1st "SILVER STAR BANNER DAY" the official day to honor the wounded and ill Soldiers of the County of _____.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be Affixed the Great Seal of the County of _____ in the State of _____ this day _____ year. _____