

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

DEPT: Environmental Resources

BOARD AGENDA # *A-4b

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE August 11, 2009

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim, in Conjunction with National and Statewide Events, October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "Second Chance Week" in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Proclaim the week of October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "Second Chance Week" in Stanislaus County.
2. Adopt a Resolution proclaiming October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "Second Chance Week" in Stanislaus County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. The Departments of Environmental Resources and Animal Services will be partnering in the events associated with Second Chance Week and are using existing budget appropriations and/or donations to fund the activities associated with this event.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2009-529

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, 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.

DISCUSSION:

"Second Chance Week" is a public awareness campaign held nationwide and in California each October to promote reuse, repair, resale, and donation opportunities. Items that might otherwise have been thrown away are given a "second chance." This year, the week of October 18 through October 24, 2009, is being deemed "Second Chance Week." The Board of Supervisors is being asked to approve this same week as "Second Chance Week" in Stanislaus County, which will allow individuals and communities the opportunity to reaffirm their commitment to conservation and apply the concept that reuse is the best form of recycling.

In addition to joining in the "spirit" of recycling by approving this request, the Countywide Integrated Waste Management Plan, which was updated and approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 30, 2007, includes a waste management hierarchy of which, source reduction (reuse) is identified as the highest priority. Consistent with this hierarchy, the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) encourages individuals, businesses, communities, and government agencies to work together as good stewards of our natural resources. Using resources wisely helps to build a stronger economy and preserve and improve the environment.

To promote reuse during Second Chance Week, DER proposes to partner with the Department of Animal Services, as follows: local businesses and veterinary offices will be contacted and asked to donate pet supplies that are new or gently used. The items collected by DER will be delivered to Animal Services to be given away the following week, which locally we are calling, "Make A Difference Week." During this designated week, those that adopt a pet will be given the opportunity to select a donated item to take home such as a pet caddy, a brush/comb, a collar, etc., thus offering an additional incentive. A point of interest this year is that the timing of this event will correspond nicely with the ground breaking for the new Animal Services center.

To further promote the reuse program, DER will create flyers advertising and promoting Second Chance Week that will be distributed to collection sites and surrounding businesses. DER will deliver collection containers, along with the flyers, to participating retail stores and veterinary offices prior to Second Chance Week, and will also collect them at the end of the week. "Make A Difference Week," will be held October 24 through October 31, 2009, at the Department of Animal Services facility, located at 2846 Finch Road, Modesto.

POLICY ISSUE:

The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors should determine if proclaiming the week of October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "Second Chance Week" is

consistent with the Board's priorities of a safe community, a healthy community, and effective partnerships.

STAFFING IMPACTS:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this item.

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THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

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IN RE: Recognizing October 18 through October 24, 2009, as "Second Chance Week"

WHEREAS, to focus the nation's attention on the importance of reusing, reducing and recycling, businesses, industries, state agencies, nonprofit organizations and individuals have joined together to celebrate "Second Chance Week" and are encouraging their employers, staff, customers, membership and all citizens to pledge to start reusing or enhance current recycling programs by reusing items that might otherwise be thrown away;

WHEREAS, participating in Second Chance Week is one way citizens can help raise awareness about the need to reduce waste by reusing, reducing and recycling;

WHEREAS, reusing, reducing and recycling saves millions of dollars in disposal costs, creates jobs and is recognized as an easy way for everyone to help protect the environment by avoiding unnecessary use of important resources;

WHEREAS, state, county and community leaders need to spread the word that reuse is the best form of recycling, and promote the excellent programs they have established, the growth of markets for reuse and resale, the importance of repairing and donation programs, and the benefits of investments in reusing, reducing and recycling by small and large businesses;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that October 18 through 24, 2009, is Second Chance Week and the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby urge all residents, educators and businesses to participate in local, regional and statewide celebratory and educational activities.

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors,
State of California

