

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

DEPT: Board of Supervisors *GHE*

BOARD AGENDA # *A-4

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE September 11, 2012

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim September 2012 as National Preparedness Month in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim September 2012 as National Preparedness Month in Stanislaus County.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2012-452

On motion of Supervisor Withdraw, Seconded by Supervisor Monteith
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Chiesa, Withdraw, Monteith, De Martini and Chairman O'Brien

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:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

Since 2004, National Preparedness Month has been observed each September in the United States of America. Sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Preparedness Month encourages Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, neighborhoods, businesses, schools, and communities. FEMA's **Ready** Campaign provides information that educates and empowers Americans to prepare for, and respond to emergencies, including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks.

This year, the Office of Emergency Services is requesting that the Board of Supervisors approve a resolution proclaiming September 2012 National Preparedness Month. Throughout the month, information will be disseminated via email to county employees on how they can prepare for emergencies individually and as employees, as well as what families, neighborhoods, and communities can do to be ready to respond. Information will also be provided to the Operational Area Council members and partners.

POLICY ISSUES:

Approval to proclaim September 2012 National Preparedness Month supports the Board's priority of A Safe Community.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Existing staff from the Office of Emergency Services will provide National Preparedness Month and **Ready** Campaign information to the County departments, Operational Area Council members and partners, and the general public.

CONTACT PERSON:

Gary Hinshaw, Assistant Director of Emergency Services. Telephone: 209-552-3600

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Date: September 11, 2012

2012-452

On motion of Supervisor Withrow Seconded by Supervisor Monteith
and approved by the following vote,

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

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

Item # *A-4

Resolution Proclaiming September 2012 National Preparedness Month

WHEREAS, the County of Stanislaus recognizes the importance of employees, residents, neighborhoods, communities and businesses being prepared for any type of emergency including natural disasters and potential terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, promoting preparedness for employees, individuals, families, neighborhoods, communities, and businesses can reduce fatalities and economic devastation in our county and in our nation; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Ready Campaign, Citizen Corps and other federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, private, and volunteer agencies are working to increase public activities in preparing for emergencies and to educate individuals on how to take action; and

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every citizen of Stanislaus County and all citizens are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

WHEREAS, by participating in National Preparedness Month in September 2012, the County of Stanislaus has the opportunity to join and support the Nation and State of California in strengthening community and regional resiliency; and

WHEREAS, by supporting National Preparedness Month, the County of Stanislaus can utilize the information on www.ready.gov or www.listo.gov (in Spanish) to educate and encourage residents to participate in preparedness activities and to become more prepared.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaim September 2012 as National Preparedness Month, and encourages all citizens and businesses to develop their own emergency preparedness plans, and work together toward creating a more prepared community.

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



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