

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

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # *A-4

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE June 11, 2013

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim June 2013 as Disability Awareness Month in Stanislaus County

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim June 2013 as Disability Awareness Month in Stanislaus County.

Contact Person: Christine Ferraro Tallman

Phone Number: 525-4494

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-262

On motion of Supervisor Monteith, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow

and approved by the following vote,

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

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.



Society for Handicapped Children & Adults

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Ms. Tallman,

For 65 years, the Society for Handicapped Children and Adults has dedicated to improving the quality of life and self sufficiency for people with disabilities in Stanislaus County. We operate the largest Loan Closet in our area, loaning adaptive, mobility and medical equipment to those in need. In addition, the Society offers recreational programs for people with disabilities, including winter ski, water ski, bike camp, day on the farm, bowling, the annual Special Needs Ball, and golfing. We also offer sign language classes and are a resource and referral agency to the community. We like to emphasize the fact that we are independent; our funding and support comes solely from private sources. Without support from the community it is impossible to provide the much needed services to those with disabilities. We desperately need your help. Over 87,000 people in Stanislaus County have a disability, according to the 2010 US Census.

We request for June 2013 to be proclaimed "Disability Awareness Month" in Stanislaus County. Please see the attached information. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors proclaimed June 2011 and 2012 as such. We would appreciate a proclamation for 2013. In addition, we request that we be notified with the date and time at which the proclamation will take place so that we may have a representative in attendance to accept it. My contact information is listed below.

Our organization provides services and programs that are essential to individual good health, independence and well being. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 524-3536 or events@societyforhandicapped.org.

With Sincere Gratitude,

Michelle Gill
Director of Development



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**PROCLAMATION OF JUNE 2013 as
“DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH”
IN STANISLAUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors have recognized healthy communities as a priority; and,

WHEREAS, disabilities can affect all people, regardless of race, age, gender or social status; and,

WHEREAS, increasing public awareness about diverse abilities is vital to fighting the stigma and discrimination that often serve as a barrier to employment, socialization and individual well being,

WHEREAS, there are an estimated 4,268,000 people with disabilities in the state of California and over 87,000 people with disabilities (over age 5) in Stanislaus County,

WHEREAS, within the next year, at least one out of eight Californians will experience a disability personally or through a family member; and,

WHEREAS, Society for Handicapped Children & Adults, will commemorate June 2013 and each June thereafter as *Disability Awareness Month*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby unanimously proclaim June 2013 as *Disability Awareness Month* and commends this observance to all our residents.