

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

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # *B-1

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE September 17, 2013

CEO Concur with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Proclaim the Week of September 29, 2013 through October 5, 2013 as Stanislaus County Diversity Awareness Week

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Proclaim the Week of September 29, 2013 through October 5, 2013 as Stanislaus County Diversity Awareness Week.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. Current staff will administer Diversity Week activities.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-463

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.

Approval to Proclaim the Week of September 29, 2013 through October 5, 2013 as Stanislaus County Diversity Awareness Week

DISCUSSION:

The Stanislaus County Equal Rights Commission is requesting the Board of Supervisors approve the week of September 29, 2013 through October 5, 2013 as Diversity Awareness Week in Stanislaus County. This is the tenth year Stanislaus County has celebrated diversity in conjunction with other local activities including the International Heritage Festival scheduled for October 5, 2013 at the Modesto Junior College's East Campus.

Departments throughout the County have organized activities and displays acknowledging, celebrating, and increasing awareness of the various diverse cultures that make our County a wonderful place to live. These Countywide events will also help us to educate both employees and the public.

At 10th Street Place, the City of Modesto and Stanislaus County are once again partnering together to celebrate the diversity that enriches us all with a display of a different culture on each floor of the building with educational information to share with the employees and the community. Additionally, there will be a Cultural Celebration event on October 4, 2013 from 11:30am - 1:30pm in the Tenth Street Plaza. The event will be open to the public. Many other activities will be occurring around the County as well.

The Department of Environmental Resources, Agricultural Commissioner's Office, and Cooperative Extension are partnering in their building during the week to honor traditions and cultures of employees and the community.

The Community Services Agency in partnership with the Department of Child Support Services, Alliance Worknet, and the Sheriff's Department will focus on a cultural heritage event that celebrates that people are not all the same through a realization that similarities and differences are both important. This year's theme is titled, "Come, Let's Celebrate Culture!" and will be held on September 26, 2013 from 12pm-4pm at the Community Services Facility.

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services is hosting the Mental Health Northern Region Summit titled "Cultural Competency and Workforce Development: The Bridge to Health Care Reform" on October 2nd and 3rd. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and the Health Services Agency will be partnering to provide Diversity Week activities throughout the week at the Scenic campus location centered on the Summit's theme and activities.

Other County departments have connected with local clubs and organizations representing the various cultures of Stanislaus County in developing displays, food sampling, and other diversity activities.

POLICY ISSUE:

Creating public awareness of the diversity of cultures in Stanislaus County addresses the Board's priorities of Effective Partnerships as well as Efficient Delivery of Public Services.

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STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with this item.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 29, 2013 – OCTOBER 5, 2013 AS
DIVERSITY AWARENESS WEEK IN STANISLAUS COUNTY

WHEREAS, Stanislaus County in conjunction with the Stanislaus County Equal Rights Commission is committed to celebrating the cultural diversity of our community; and,


WHEREAS, Each year Stanislaus County employees organize activities and prepare displays designed to acknowledge and heighten awareness of the diverse cultural backgrounds of our County's residents; and,

WHEREAS, Countywide events will be held to showcase this cultural diversity for both Stanislaus County residents and County employees; and,

WHEREAS, Diversity Awareness Week is the beginning of the annual celebration of diversity in Stanislaus County which culminates in the International Heritage Festival; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby unanimously proclaim September 29, 2013 through October 5, 2013 as Diversity Awareness Week in Stanislaus County.

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



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