

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

DEPT: Chief Executive Office

BOARD AGENDA # *B-1

Urgent

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AGENDA DATE September 24, 2013

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval of 2013 Equal Rights Commendations for Dr. John Walker, Public Health Officer; Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney; and, David Jones, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Approve resolutions commending Dr. John Walker, Carol Shipley and David Jones on being selected as the 2013 recipients of the Stanislaus County Dale Butler Annual Equal Rights Award.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-480

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien

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: This Item was removed from the consent calendar for discussion and consideration.

ATTEST:


CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

Each year the Stanislaus County Equal Rights Commission recognizes one or more County employees for their outstanding achievements in promoting equal rights with the annual Stanislaus County Dale Butler Equal Rights Award.

In September 2013, the Equal Rights Commission voted to accept the nominations for Dr. John Walker, Public Health Officer; Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney; and, David Jones, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs.

Dr. John Walker, Carol Shipley and David Jones will be recognized at a special awards ceremony on October 4, 2013. The Board of Supervisors is, therefore, requested to join the Stanislaus County Equal Rights Commission in commending them for their contributions to equal rights by adopting the attached resolutions.

POLICY ISSUE:

These commendations are based on the Board's policy to acknowledge and recognize individuals whose work has helped promote the Board's priorities of Effective Partnerships and Efficient Delivery of Public Services.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact as a result of this action.

CONTACT:

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**IN RE: COMMENDING DAVID JONES,
SENIOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

WHEREAS, each year the Stanislaus County Dale Butler Equal Rights Award is presented to one or more County employees in recognition of outstanding achievements in promoting equal rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Equal Rights Commission has voted to accept the nomination of David Jones, Senior Management Consultant, Chief Executive Office, for the 2013 Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award; and,

WHEREAS, David has provided leadership and support to the Stanislaus County Chief Executive Office in his role as the County's Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs where he has been responsible for countywide public outreach, awareness and emergency communications and preparedness; and,

WHEREAS, David was responsible for the implementation of www.StanEmergency.com which is an emergency preparedness website utilized to raise public awareness and provide information regarding natural disasters, bioterrorism, power outages, West Nile Virus, H1N1 Swine Flu, Avian Influenza, and shelter-in-place guidelines; and,

WHEREAS, David is intensely aware of the importance of assuring that all people are treated in a non-discriminatory manner and works hard to assure they are treated fairly; and,

WHEREAS, David produced the video "Secrets in America" which is dedicated to showcasing the effects of elder abuse and providing tools for the community to use in fighting it; and,

WHEREAS, David has also fostered open communication and collaboration with community leaders of diverse cultures specific to our community diversity; and,

WHEREAS, David actively worked with the Latino Emergency Council on its first-ever Latino Emergency Leadership Summit targeting public safety, education, non-profits, private sector and other groups that reach into the Latino community, thus supporting and celebrating the diversity within Stanislaus County; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby congratulate and commend David Jones, Senior Management Consultant with the Chief Executive Office, for being selected by the Equal Rights Commission as the 2013 recipient of the Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award.

**IN RE: COMMENDING DR. JOHN WALKER,
PHYSICIAN, HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY**

WHEREAS, each year the Stanislaus County Dale Butler Equal Rights Award is presented to one or more County employees in recognition of outstanding achievements in promoting equal rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Equal Rights Commission has voted to accept the nomination of Dr. John Walker for the 2013 Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker, in his role as the Public Health Officer for Stanislaus County, genuinely cares for all Stanislaus County residents and this helps to set a tone internally that reinforces the Board of Supervisors' equal rights policies; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker, working with community physicians and hospitals, school districts, other County departments and organizations, carries out his responsibility as a partner in protecting the health and well-being of all Stanislaus County residents; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker, in his role of monitoring the health of the community in order to facilitate interventions for improvement, reviews situations that impact particular segments of our community differently than the whole and, through this necessary and appropriate analysis and resulting interventions, Dr. Walker, in his role as the Public Health Officer, continually demonstrates a firm commitment to equal rights and non-discrimination practices; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker is intensely aware of the importance of assuring that all people are treated in a non-discriminatory manner and works hard to assure they are treated fairly; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker also fosters open communication and collaboration with community leaders of diverse cultures specific to our community diversity; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Walker displays unique qualities, dedication and determination to protect and facilitate improvement in the health of our County's residents which supports diversity within the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby congratulate and commend Dr. John Walker, Physician, Health Services Agency, for being selected by the Equal Rights Commission as the 2013 recipient of the Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award.

**IN RE: COMMENDING CAROL SHIPLEY
ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, each year the Stanislaus County Dale Butler Equal Rights Award is presented to one or more County employees in recognition of outstanding achievements in promoting equal rights; and,

WHEREAS, the Equal Rights Commission has voted to accept the nomination of Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney, for the 2013 Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award; and,

WHEREAS, Carol has provided leadership and support to the Stanislaus County District Attorney as a driving force behind the creation of the Family Justice Center, a one-stop center offering help and hope for victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child and elder abuse; and,

WHEREAS, Carol also fosters open communication and collaboration with community leaders of the many diverse cultures in Stanislaus County; and,

WHEREAS, as a County leader in the development of the Family Justice Center, Carol worked to obtain both grant funding and donations needed to support the center and reached out to community groups to obtain their support; and

WHEREAS, Carol promoted equal rights for all citizens of Stanislaus County as she facilitated the partnership that resulted in the co-location of the Community Services Agency, Haven Women's Center, Children's Crisis Center, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Child Protective Services, the Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office at the Center to provide services to these victims and survivors; and,

WHEREAS, Carol is intensely aware of the importance of assuring that all people are treated in a non-discriminatory manner and works hard to assure they are treated fairly; and

WHEREAS, Carol encourages involvement in equal rights, has a representative at the County Equal Right's Commission meetings and is supportive of staff time spent on County and District Attorney Equal Rights activities and diversity in the workplace; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby congratulate and commend Carol Shipley, Assistant District Attorney, Stanislaus County District Attorney, for being selected by the Equal Rights Commission as the 2013 recipient of the Annual Dale Butler Equal Rights Award.