

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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INITIATED BY

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Human Services Board
SUBMITTED BY

March 11, 2013
DATE DRAFTED



RECOGNIZING ROCK COUNTY
SOCIAL WORKERS

1 **WHEREAS**, March has been declared National Social Worker Recognition Month; and
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3 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock
4 County, wish to recognize the Rock County Human Services Social Workers for their
5 excellence in delivering services to the citizens of Rock County; and,
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7 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers of the Rock County Department of Human Services provide
8 services to a wide variety of Rock County citizens; and,
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10 **WHEREAS**, Social Workers in the Mental Health area provide a wide array of treatment and
11 psychosocial rehabilitation services to individuals living with serious mental illness thereby
12 reducing the need for hospital based care; and provide family crisis stabilization services, in-
13 home family services as well as services to children with severe and persistent mental illness
14 to provide support to the families and reduce the need for out of home placement of children
15 and adolescents; and facilitate access to treatment for individuals with addictive and co-
16 occurring disorders to assist individuals with overcoming challenges and improving quality of
17 life; and,
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19 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers in the Juvenile Justice & Prevention Services Division
20 provide high-quality juvenile intake, community supervision, diversion, and residential care of
21 youth in the Rock County area. Juvenile Justice Social Workers guide and support at-risk
22 youth and their families who have violated the law. On a weekly basis Juvenile Justice Social
23 Workers make difficult decisions that balance the need to keep the community safe and direct
24 youth to a crime free life; and,
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26 **WHEREAS**, the Child Protective Services Social Workers provide essential safety services
27 and respond to reports of abuse and neglect; and work to control for the safety of children who
28 are at risk of abuse, maltreatment and/or neglect; and intervene to alter the conditions within
29 the families which create the risk of maltreatment and/or neglect, relying upon home-based
30 services and collaboration with other professionals providing essential services to these
31 children/families; and,
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33 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers in the Adult Community Services area provide services to
34 individuals with persistent and chronic mental illness assisting them to live in the community;
35 and prevent costly hospitalizations whenever possible; and,
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37 **WHEREAS**, the Social Workers in the Long Term Support Division support the frail elderly
38 and individuals with physical disabilities in our community in a variety of ways; they assess
39 individuals to understand what they need help with, while encouraging them to do what they
40 can; they search out providers to care for them, yet listen and respect their opinions of what
41 they want; they work to ensure each person's health and safety, but also allow individuals to
42 make their own decisions; and they care for each individual they work with as it shows
43 through the relationships they build with their clients. LTS workers preserve the dignity and
44 spirit of each of their clients each day they come to work; and,
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46 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly
47 assembled this 28 day of March, 2013, do hereby recognize the Rock
48 County Social Workers for their excellent work and diligent efforts in the delivery of services
49 to needy Rock County citizens and their families in 2013.

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51 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish
52 a copy of this resolution to the Rock County Human Services Department.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rock County Human Services Board

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Brian Knudson, Chair

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