



Proclaiming

November 2024

National Family Caregiver Month in Ventura County

Whereas, November is recognized as National Family Caregiver Month, a time for the entire country to acknowledge the enormous contributions of informal and formal caregivers to one another and to the nation; and
Whereas, Demographic changes in Ventura and across the United States, are increasing the need for caregiving and this need is projected to continue growing; and

Whereas, 1 in 5 Ventura County residents provide informal and unpaid care for family members; and

Whereas, more than 9,000 In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) caregivers provide home care services and support to over 9,600 low-income disabled, senior or blind residents of Ventura County, nearly 80 percent of whom are family members; and

Whereas, Ventura County caregivers provide vital care to family members, allowing residents to remain safely in their own homes, while providing a compassionate alternative to hospitalization and other placement outside of their community, and

Whereas, family caregivers experience considerable stress, physical and emotional burdens, and financial strain from their caregiving responsibilities; and

Whereas, the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging, the Camarillo Health Care District and Senior Concerns have collaborated to develop Family Caregiver Resource Centers, which provide caregiver training, support groups, home adaptations, resource libraries, community education, and respite care for eligible family caregivers; and

Whereas, the County of Ventura Human Services Agency Public Authority provides caregiver training, workshops and resources to IHSS caregivers; and

Whereas, the services and support provided by community organizations and county government to Ventura County caregivers is vital to maintaining and strengthening families and preserving the dignity of all senior, blind, disabled or ill Ventura County residents; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors take great pleasure in proclaiming the month of November 2024, as "Family Caregiver Month."

Be It Further Resolved, that the Ventura County Board of Supervisors encourages all residents to recognize and support the contributions of all caregivers who give their time, patience, care and support to their families, friends and the entire community.

Presented on this 29th day of October 2024


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