

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Education, Veterans & Aging
Services Committee
INITIATED BY



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Education, Veterans & Aging
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SUBMITTED BY

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Recognizing National Volunteer Week

- 1 **WHEREAS**, April 6-12, 2014 has been designated as National Volunteer Week and is the 40th
- 2 anniversary of National Volunteer Week; and,
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- 4 **WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek
- 5 out imaginative ways to engage in their communities and celebrating people doing extraordinary things
- 6 through service; and,
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- 8 **WHEREAS**, National Volunteer Week highlights the enormous contributions that volunteers make
- 9 every day; and,
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- 11 **WHEREAS**, the theme -- Celebrating Service -- honors individuals who take action and solve significant
- 12 problems in their communities; and,
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- 14 **WHEREAS**, volunteers make it possible for many community organizations to provide a variety of
- 15 services that would not be possible without individuals giving freely of their time, talents and
- 16 compassion; and,
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- 18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 19 this 27 day of March, 2014 does hereby recognize the efforts of Rock County
- 20 volunteers during National Volunteer Week.

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Respectfully submitted,

Education, Veterans & Aging Services Committee

Terry Thomas
Terry Thomas, Chair

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Steve Howland

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Executive Summary

National Volunteer Week, April 6-12, 2014, is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their communities. It's about demonstrating that by working together, we have the fortitude to meet our challenges and accomplish our goals.

It's a time to thank volunteers for what they do every day: making our communities stronger, healthier, and more vibrant. It's an opportunity to show them that their work matters, that it's not only appreciated, but valued more than they'll ever know. It's our chance to give volunteers their due.

Whether they are providing meals or other services and supports to at-risk seniors, those who are ill, or with youth in the community; supporting family members in need of care; working as volunteer ombudsmen in nursing homes; helping to clean up after a disaster; working to detect and deter fraud in our health care system like our Senior Medicare Patrol; serving in a hospital gift shop; volunteers play a key role in supporting the framework of many service organizations in Rock County.

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 and has grown exponentially each year, with thousands of volunteer projects and special events scheduled throughout the week.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of National Volunteer Week, demonstrating the enduring importance of recognizing our country's volunteers for their vital contributions.