PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Social Work profession provides a comprehensive, coordinated service delivery system from birth to death for vulnerable children, adults, seniors, people with disabilities, veterans and families; and

WHEREAS, Social Work honors the right of each person to have a life of dignity based on a sense of self-worth, self-determination and personal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Washoe County employs over 100 Social Workers who use their education, training and commitment to strengthen individuals, families and our community; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers, in collaboration with medical and mental health professionals, bridge the gap between resources and services to make Washoe County a nurturing, supportive, healthy environment for its children, families, adults and communities; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers shape numerous programs and policies that improve community life; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers celebrate the courage, strength, and determination of the human spirit, and work to empower others to hope, dream and believe in their own potential; and

WHEREAS, Professional Social Workers deserve recognition for their commitment and dedication to individuals and families in our community; now, therefore, be it

PROCLAIMED, By the Washoe County Board of Commissioners that March 2015 is designated as Professional Social Work Month in Washoe County and the Board acknowledges this year's campaign, "Social Work Paves the Way for Change."

ADOPTED this 24th day of February, 2015.

Marsha Berkbigler, Chairman Washoe County Commission

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