## The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of: Proclaiming November **National Family and Caregivers Month** Recognition of In-Home Care Providers' Courage to Care.

Resolution No. 2024-413

WHEREAS, more than 65 million family caregivers in the United States demonstrate their Courage to Care everyday by providing some form of in-home care to a parent, grandparent, child, aunt or uncle; and

WHEREAS, the 10,972 IHSS providers in Contra Costa County In-Home Supportive Services (I.H.S.S.) who deliver quality care to our most vulnerable residents are among these caregivers who have the Courage to Care; and

WHEREAS, In-Home caregivers not only provide vital care to those in need, but by doing so save taxpayers millions of dollars each year when compared to more costly tax funded institutional care; and

WHEREAS, the work of In-Home caregivers often goes unnoticed as do the financial struggles caregivers and their families experience in order to provide this lifeline service to those in need; and

WHEREAS, the number of family and non-family members requiring in-home care will drastically increase as the number of Americans who are 65 years of age and older is expected to double in the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the future demands of caregiving, we must ensure a stable workforce by recognizing today the important contributions In-Home caregivers bring to those receiving care, to our communities and to society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the month of November is designated as National Family Caregivers Month, which offers the perfect opportunity to highlight the hard work, dedication, and courage to care that all In-Home caregivers exemplify every day - in caring for both family and non-family members: and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby recognizes and strongly supports our In-Home caregivers and acknowledges their Courage to Care by officially recognizing the month of November 2024 as National Family Caregivers Month, and appreciates the essential work and contributions In-Home caregivers bring to Contra Costa County, and will work with them to protect programs and services such as I.H.S.S., keep a fundamental commitment to our low-income seniors and disabled residents, and ask that the State of California and the Federal Government maintain that commitment, as well.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 17th day of December 2024.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER

Chair,

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