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Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 23, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Michael Ertola
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SUBJECT: Proclamation declaring the week of July 21-27, 2019, pretrial, probation, and parole supervision week in Nevada County.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Proclamation.

FUNDING: Not applicable.

BACKGROUND:

During the week of July 21st through the 27th, 2019, people across the United States and Canada will join together to recognize the work that probation, parole, and community supervision professionals do for our public safety. Pretrial, Probation, and Parole Supervision Week is a time to recognize and celebrate the dedicated and caring individuals in your community who work tirelessly to make your neighborhoods safer and more vibrant places to live and rear families. These professionals are on duty each and every day to assist juvenile and adult offenders in becoming better citizens with productive lives. Working together makes for stronger bonds between colleagues, community partners, and with those under supervision.

Today in America, there are over 5 million adults on community supervision and most of these individuals are monitored by pretrial, probation and parole officers. Monitoring may take the form of home contacts, drug testing, making sure the offender attends counseling sessions and helping offenders to find suitable housing and employment. Many officers also supervise offenders using electronic monitoring equipment which requires expert knowledge of newer technologies.

Community corrections professionals must be creative in program solutions to make sure those they supervise have the support needed to find jobs, housing and treatment. Being part of the Health and Human Services Agency, Probation has been able to enhance coordination with County programs, provide a higher level of service, and make a difference while faced with expanding caseloads and additional responsibilities.

Members of our community are encouraged to join together during Probation, Parole & Community Supervision Week to honor those who work to make our communities a safer place to live.

Respectfully submitted,

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