

# Proclamation

## “National Professional Social Work Month 2009”

**WHEREAS,** The Spalding County Board of Commissioners does hereby recognize and appreciate that the journey of life is filled with many complex issues and choices that may require guidance and professional advice. Professional social workers utilize their education and experience to help millions of people facing social and psychological problems improve their lives; and

**WHEREAS,** Social workers connect individuals, families and communities to available resources. They develop and shape numerous programs and policies that make a genuine difference in the lives of countless people; and

**WHEREAS,** Professional social workers are employed in a variety of settings, including large corporations, employee assistance programs, law enforcement agencies, the court system, U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, the Georgia General Assembly, community service boards, elder centered agencies, public and private school systems, colleges and universities, children and family centered agencies, hospice, hospitals, health and mental health clinics, public and private agencies, and private practice; and

**WHEREAS,** Social workers work diligently to ensure that all people have access to the same basic rights, protections and opportunities. A social work career is one filled with purpose and possibilities, and the National Association of Social Workers, with over 150,000 members, has nearly 3,000 members who reside and work in Georgia.

### **THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that We, the Board of Commissioners of Spalding County on this, the sixteenth day of March 2009, do hereby declare that a copy of this proclamation be spread upon the minutes of the proceedings of this Board, and publicly recognize the valuable work done by professional social workers. Further, we call upon all our citizens to join the National Association of Social Workers in celebration and support of social workers and the social work profession, hereby proclaiming March 2009 to be

**National Professional Social Work Month.**

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Edward Goss, Jr., Chairman

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William P. Wilson, Jr., County Clerk