PROCLAMATION

Of

Social Worker Appreciation Month May 2011

- **WHEREAS**, social work provides a significant role in the system of services aimed at protecting children, the frail elderly and other dependent adults from neglect, abuse, and exploitation; 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, the social workers in Buncombe County are a major force for positive community change, recognizing the strengths of individuals, families and communities and that empowering people requires acknowledgement of their capabilities; and
- whereas, social workers in collaboration and through integrative efforts with public health and mental health professionals work to make Buncombe County a nurturing, supportive healthy environment for its children, families, adults and communities; and
- **WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognize the value of social workers by designating Social Worker Appreciation Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That this Board does hereby proclaim the month of May as

"Social Worker Appreciation Month"

in Buncombe County.

- 2. That all citizens take this opportunity to thank Buncombe County Social Workers for the outstanding job they do every day.
- 3. That this proclamation be effective upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this the 19th day of April, 2011.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

BY:		
	DAVID GANTT, CHAIRMAN	