SUBJECT:

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PROCLAMATION - SIERRA VIEW

DISTRICT HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER LEAGUE DAY

SOURCE:

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/CITY CLERK DIVISION

COMMENT:

At its meeting of October 1, 2013, the Council amended the process by which proclamations are approved. The new process requires that all proclamations must be sponsored by one Council Member, after which the request is then placed on the Council's agenda for consideration and approval by a majority of the Council.

Sierra View District Hospital has requested that the Council consider approval of a proclamation to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Sierra View District Hospital Volunteer League. They have requested that the Mayor or a council representative present the proclamation to the volunteers at a luncheon on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. Mayor Hamilton is sponsoring this proclamation request. If approved, the proclamation will be presented at the event, which is to take place at Sierra View District Hospital.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider the approval of the proposed Proclamation designating November 12, 2013, as Sierra View District Hospital Volunteer League Day.

ATTACHMENT:

Proposed Proclamation

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Item No. 16

DRAFT PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS: The Sierra View District Hospital Volunteer League, Inc. (SVDHVL) was established in 1963 and today, 50 years later, has grown exponentially to a 105 member organization committed to promoting and advancing the mission and vision of Sierra View District Hospital. The Volunteer League represents a diverse group of individuals comprised of multiple generations; and
- WHEREAS: The Volunteer League helps ensure the welfare of our patients through support of our staff by transporting patients, delivering correspondence, managing the Gift Shop, and providing real-time information to families regarding their loved ones. SVDH volunteers touch lives daily through kind words, hearts of concern, and lending encouragement with smiles and a warm cup of coffee; and
- WHEREAS: The Volunteers are at center stage, discovering the power of a positive, caring and compassionate patient experience at SVDH. Motivated by the satisfaction of helping others, they serve as ambassadors of SVDH's mission and vision collectively serving to prevent illness, heal the sick, and help the suffering, through compassionate care; and
- WHEREAS: The Volunteer League, through proceeds from the beloved Gift Shop, has purchased nursery cribs, hepa-filters, wheelchairs, guest sleeper chairs, infant car seats just to name a few. Volunteers knit baby caps for our newborns, provide blankets, memory boxes, and stuffed animals. The League has also been instrumental in providing scholarships to SVDH staff continuing their education in the healthcare industry; and
- WHEREAS: The giving of oneself in service to extend goodwill to others is a noble act to society. Over the last 50 years members of the league has generously given over five-hundred thousand hours of their time to make a difference in the lives of others; and
- WHEREAS: The Volunteer League is a great treasure of Sierra View District Hospital and the Porterville Community. We are immensely grateful for the selfless dedication and hours of service as the Volunteer League.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, CAMERON HAMILTON, Mayor of the City of Porterville, on behalf of the Porterville City Council, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, November 12th, 2013, as,

"SIERRA VIEW DISTRICT HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER LEAGUE DAY"

in the City of Porterville, and encourage all citizens to embrace the spirit of volunteerism demonstrated by the Sierra View District Hospital Volunteer League and urge my fellow citizens to follow in their steps in leaving a legacy of service.

PROCLAIMED this 12th day of November, 2013.