

**Yolo County
Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No. 23-45

Declaring April 3-9, 2023 as Public Health Week

WHEREAS the week of April 3-9, 2023, is National Public Health Week, and the theme is “Centering and Celebrating Cultures in Health”; and

WHEREAS the goal of National Public Health Week in 2023 is to recognize the contributions of public health professionals and programs in improving health and achieving health equity;

WHEREAS many of the leading causes of death for individuals in the United States result from chronic conditions, which are among the most common, costly, and preventable of all health challenges;

WHEREAS violence is a leading cause of premature death, and it is estimated that more than 7 individuals per hour die a violent death in the United States;

WHEREAS racial and ethnic minority populations in Yolo County continue to experience disparities in the burden of illness and death, as compared with the entire population of the county;

WHEREAS Yolo County Public Health is committed to addressing health disparities that exist across marginalized communities and communities of color by taking a health equity approach to policy, program, and collaborative efforts that impact the social determinants of health;

WHEREAS public health professionals collaborate with diverse partners, to include those outside of the health sector, recognizing that other sectors can influence health outcomes;

WHEREAS as of the date of introduction of this resolution, Yolo County HHS and its Public Health Branch have spent more than 3 years responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, requiring tremendous efforts, resources, and workforce;

WHEREAS 61.5% of Yolo County public health professionals report feelings of burnout often or very often; 59% report having a high unsustainable workload; therefore, after three long years of pandemic response, the Yolo County Public Health department is dedicated to the Principles of Healthy Work with a focus on disrupting unhealthy work practices that contribute to burnout and stress;

WHEREAS the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, through their county strategic plan, have prioritized Health Equity and Health In All Policies initiatives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors hereby declares April 3-9, 2023, as **Public Health Week** in Yolo County and to observe this week by making our communities healthier, safer, and stronger when we support and stay engaged with one another in light of this year’s theme, “**Centering and Celebrating Cultures in Health.**”

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Frerichs, Sandy, Provenza, Barajas, Villegas.

Oscar Villegas, Chair
Yolo County Board of Supervisors