

The Board of Supervisors proudly declares Monday, March 27 through Saturday, April 1, 2006, as the fifth annual Cesar Chavez Community Service Week in the County of Los Angeles, commemorating the life of Cesar Chavez, an American hero. "Yes, We Can Do It!" is the theme of this year's week-long tribute to the community leader, who dedicated his life to serving others and bringing social equality for all people.

As an example of Cesar Chavez' service to others, the County's 2006 community service week will consist of volunteer opportunities for County employees at community centers, neighborhood organizations, parks, libraries, probation camps, animal care shelters and a beach clean-up project.

Also, the County will continue the tradition of holding the annual Cesar Chavez Food Drive from Monday, March 20, through Saturday, April 1, 2006. Over 26,000 pounds of food was donated in 2005 by caring County employees.

County departments are encouraged to once again tailor existing educational and cultural programming and activities to emphasize the mission and theme of Cesar Chavez

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Community Service Week.

In addition, the Cesar Chavez curriculum will be used as part of this year's arts contest, a competition among youths at the County's Probation camps and schools, and the library's web-accessible curriculum will be available to schools.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board of Supervisors:

1. Declare Monday, March 27 through Saturday, April 1, 2006 as Cesar Chavez Community Service Week throughout the County of Los Angeles; and
2. Request the Chief Administrative Office, Workplace Programs Office, work with the Executive Office, County departments and community organizations to coordinate and support Cesar Chavez Week activities and volunteer opportunities for County employees; and
3. Request County department heads to promote awareness of and voluntary participation in Cesar Chavez Community Service Week activities in departmental newsletters and other forms of communication; and
4. Request the County Department of Probation to utilize the Cesar Chavez curriculum to assist in promoting participation in the 2006 youth arts contest; and
5. Request Probation to partner with the Los Angeles County Office of Education on this youth program.
6. Request the County's Public Library to make its Cesar Chavez website curriculum accessible to schools countywide.

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