

**RESOLUTION 044502**

**Proclaiming the month of November 2004 as National Home Health care Month in Cuyahoga County.**

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WHEREAS, the provision of in-home services to elderly and disabled adults is provided by the Department of Senior & Adult Services to allow Cuyahoga County residents to remain in the family setting as functioning members of the community.

WHEREAS, home care in the United States is a diverse and dynamic service industry with more than 20,000 providers delivering home care service to some 7.6 million individuals who require services because of acute illness, long-term health conditions, permanent disability or terminal illness. Annual expenditures for home health care were about \$41.3 billion in 2001.

WHEREAS, home health care is an integral part of community based health service delivery and provides an economical alternative to institutionalization of the elderly, disabled, and chronically ill citizens.

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County home care providers bring compassionate professional care including nursing, home health aide services, physical, occupational and speech therapies, social work counseling and other high quality services to those in need.

WHEREAS, home care translates into skillful assistance in the reassuring environment of home for those of all ages requiring acute, long-term rehabilitative and respite care.

AND, WHEREAS, home care enables families to be preserved and enhanced by providing skillful assistance during difficult times.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, does hereby proclaim the month of November 2004 as National Home Health Care Month in Cuyahoga County and urges the residents of the County to recognize the efforts of home care providers, as well as the families and friends of the elderly and disabled who provide such important services to those in need in the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Susan E. Axelrod, Director, Department of Senior & Adult Services.

On Motion of Commissioner Dimora, seconded by Commissioner McCormack, the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

Ayes: Dimora, McCormack, Jones.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

Penelope M. Hughes,  
Clerk of the Board

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