AGENDA DATE: April 8, 2008

| Public Hearing Required  | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Published Notice Required | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Advertised Published Notice   | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Meet & Confer Required       | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Electronic file(s) has been sent | Yes ☒  No □  N/A □  |
| Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Personnel Resolution attached | Yes □  No ☒  N/A □  |
| Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) | Yes ☒  No □  N/A □  |

CONTACT PERSON: Brian Lewis  PHONE: (559)733-6954

SUBJECT: Proclamation of April 8, 2008 as Adult Literacy Day in Tulare County.

REQUEST(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:
Proclaim April 8, 2008 as ADULT LITERACY DAY in Tulare County.

SUMMARY:
Adult Literacy Day brings awareness of the valuable free literacy services available to adults who are challenged in reading and other functional literacy skills. The Tulare County READ TO SUCCEED Adult Literacy Program celebrates 8 years of Library Literacy Services. The County Library Literacy team, partnering with the City of Tulare Library TulareREAD program, and Porterville City Library READ TO SUCCEED Adult Literacy Program currently serves a cumulative total of over 300 adult learners through one-on-one tutoring and English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Conversation Circle services throughout Tulare County. This year we are proud to include in our celebration the addition of two new United States Citizens, Xue Mai and Maria. The adult functional illiteracy rate in Tulare County is 41%. Tulare County is now serving our 700th adult learner. We currently have 18 learners working on their GED. Three of the GED learners are preparing for their last test and four customers have received their GED this year. Literacy services throughout Tulare County also combat adult literacy by having early literacy services and family literacy services. In the last 2 ½ years we have presented our
early literacy educational program to over 5,400 parents and caregivers.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**
There is no fiscal impact to the County of Library Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**
The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative to promote specific programs to raise literacy awareness.

**ALTERNATIVES:**
N/A

**IN INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**
Tulare County Library, Tulare City Library, and Porterville City Library Adult Literacy Programs join in the celebration of service to the adult literacy community throughout Tulare County.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

Name
Title

Cc: Auditor/Controller
    County Counsel
    County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s)
BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF proclaiming April 8, 2008 as Adult Literacy Day in Tulare County.

RESOLUTION NO. __________
AGREEMENT NO. __________

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR ________________, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ________________, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD __________ ____________, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN ROUSSEAU
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____________________________
   Deputy Clerk

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Proclaimed April 8, 2008 as ADULT LITERACY DAY in Tulare County.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2008 AS  
ADULT LITERACY DAY IN TULARE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Public Library received California State Library funds, partner funds from Tulare County Health and Human Services and Tulare County Sheriff’s Department, and contributions from numerous community agencies to continue service to the adult literacy population, to assist in the collective community effort to address the illiteracy of adults in Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, the Tulare County Public Library READ TO SUCCEED Adult Literacy Program, partnering with the other Library Literacy Programs have successfully completed eight years of literacy services to the adults in Tulare County; and

WHEREAS, tutors are local volunteers who have a sincere interest in community service and the desire to assist other adults learn to read or to enhance their reading skills; and

WHEREAS the customers served by this effort are both urban and rural residents who have formed an enthusiastic group of learners; and

WHEREAS, a number of learners from existing programs in the community have proven that one-on-one tutoring really does make a difference in the overall success of adults who are learning to read; and

WHEREAS the Tulare County Library READ TO SUCCEED Adult Literacy Program has partnered with numerous County and community agencies to ensure leverage of resources and services; and

WHEREAS, the County of Tulare is pleased with the success of adult literacy programs within Tulare County, and wishes to commend and publicly acknowledge the efforts of the program administrators, volunteer tutors and learners in their future endeavors.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare hereby proclaims Tuesday, April 8, 2008 as ADULT LITERACY DAY in Tulare County.