

## Proclamation

By unanimous consent of the Board of Supervisors, the following proclamation is adopted:

WHEREAS, essential workers provide a critical service across San Bernardino County. These frontline superheroes ensure the health, well-being and economic resiliency of local communities; and

WHEREAS, residents of San Bernardino County and across Southern California rely on these essential workers every day. They are our modern-day superheroes; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, public transit workers have safely connected residents to their jobs, medical appointments, local grocery store and other essential services; and

WHEREAS, now more than ever, public transit is an important resource for transit dependent communities to have equitable access to vaccination sites. We can always count on our front-line transit workers to keep our communities moving, especially during times of uncertainty; and

**WHEREAS**, essential workers have become the unshakable core of public transit service. 75 percent of current Metrolink riders self-identify as essential workers. As commuting needs and patterns have changed, public transit service remains available for those who need it – essential workers who cannot work from home, people with disabilities, at-risk families and seniors. Public transit ridership is more diverse, providing service for people and communities across San Bernardino County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, State of California, does hereby proclaim April 28<sup>th</sup> through the year 2026 as Essential Worker Day and recognize public transit workers, especially front-line staff, for their service as everyday superheroes across San Bernardino County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that this proclamation be noted in the minutes of this Board, and that a copy be presented to Metrolink.

**DATED:** April 20, 2021

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