## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS,	Professional social workers have over a century of experience helping individuals and effecting social change that benefits everyone; and
WHEREAS,	Social work in schools celebrates the $100^{\rm th}$ year anniversary responding to factors in the community and family which prevent children from successful participation in educational programs; and
WHEREAS,	Over 20,000 school social workers across the nation provide psycho educational services and develop programs which help children experience success in school; and
WHEREAS,	School social work services began in Baltimore County during the 1993-1994 school year to provide assistance to students by alleviating those psychosocial problems that interfere with academic success; and
WHEREAS,	School social workers provide therapeutic services to assist students in becoming more available for learning; and
WHEREAS,	School social workers collaboratively assist staff in developing social-emotional learning objectives to assist students in meeting with academic success; and
WHEREAS,	School social workers provide links between the home, school, and community to marshal those available resources to promote students' academic achievement; and
WHEREAS,	School social workers advocate that all students can achieve success in schools that are programmatically nurturing, safe, and orderly environments; and
WHEREAS,	School social workers continue to promote the development of programs that will increase student achievement in all schools and encourage parental participation in the schools; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED	That the Board of Education of Baltimore County extends its deep appreciation to all school social workers for their dedicated and committed services to students and their families; and be it further
RESOLVED	That the Board of Education of Baltimore County does hereby proclaim the month of March 2006 as Professional Social Work Month.
Thomas G. Grzymski, President  Joe A. Hairston, Secretary-Treasurer	