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Thank you for bringing your support to National Association of Social Workers Day. The robust growth within families is one aspect that keeps them thriving, even during trying times of difficulty. Our agency greatly values the donors and dedicated volunteers who continue to help our community continue to support.

Each year, we take time to honor exceptional families and a family advocate at our “Salute to Families” recognition program. We established this program in 1982 to feature the abundance of strong family life in our community. The honorees are selected at random, and we are recognizing all families while also recognizing the efforts of families and family advocates who work tirelessly to support the needs of our communities.

If you wish to learn more about the work we are doing in our community and how you can help, I’d love to talk with you! You can reach me at (402) 552-7475.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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