



AGENDA ITEM NO.  
**D-3**

# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: November 04, 2014

Date: October 9, 2014  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisor Rex Bohn  
Subject: National Adoption Awareness Month

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board adopt the Proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: The Board of Supervisors would like to proclaim November, 2014 as National Adoption Awareness Month in Humboldt County. The Board along with Adoption Horizon asks the community to join in supporting and applauding families who adopt, and to remember the children who are still waiting for a family.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation.

Prepared by \_\_\_\_\_ TD \_\_\_\_\_

Signature  \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEW: Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ County Counsel \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Risk Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other Special Presentation

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT  
Upon motion of Supervisor Bass  
Seconded by Supervisor Lovlace  
And unanimously carried by those members present,  
The Board hereby adopts the recommended action  
contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: Nov. 4, 2014  
Nikki Turner, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

By:  \_\_\_\_\_

# PROCLAMATION

OF THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, every child deserves a loving, nurturing and permanent family. Sadly, there are many children in Humboldt County, the State of California and worldwide, who do not have the comfort and security that their essential needs are going to be met by the adults in their lives. These children are waiting for an adoptive parent to help meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, not all children waiting for replacement homes are newborns. Boys and girls who are older or teens, minority raced children and sibling groups that need to be placed together, wait each and every day for someone to come and say, "I will be your parent." Some of these children have unique medical, emotional or physical needs, but still hope to find joy and have a permanent family; and

WHEREAS, around 400,000 children in the United States are in foster care. More than one-fifth of these children reside in California. There are close to 300 children in foster care in Humboldt County. A permanent family replaces the care a county, state or country needs to provide for a child under custodial care. Many of these children will need permanent adoptive homes; and

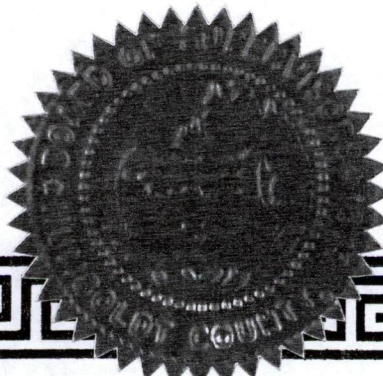
WHEREAS, Adoption Horizons assists and supports families who are waiting to adopt children domestically and internationally, and provides these families with the guidance, education and support to successfully parent; and

WHEREAS, Adoption Horizons has been providing services to children and families for thirty-two years; and

WHEREAS, Adoption Horizons asks the community to join us in supporting and applauding families who adopt, and to remember the children who are still waiting.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby declares **November, 2014 as National Adoption Awareness Month.**

DATED: November 4, 2014



*Rex Bohn*  
REX BOHN, Chair