



AGENDA ITEM NO.
D-8

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: May 5, 2015

Date: March 27, 2015
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Supervisor Ryan Sundberg
Subject: Foster Parent Appreciation Month

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors Adopt the Proclamation.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: In recognition of the importance and benefit of caregivers, the Board wishes to proclaim May, 2015 as Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Humboldt County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

ATTACHMENTS: Proclamation.

Prepared by Tracy Damico

Signature 

REVIEW: Auditor _____ County Counsel _____ Personnel _____ Risk Manager _____ Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:
____ Consent
____ Departmental
____ Public Hearing
XX Special Presentation (10mins) Combined with

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

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:
Board Order No. _____
Meeting of: _____

Dated: _____
Tracy Damico, Deputy Clerk of the Board
By: _____

PROCLAMATION
of the
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

WHEREAS, May is National Foster Care Month, and in Humboldt County, we celebrate Foster Parent Appreciation Month which includes foster parents, Tribal homes, relatives and non-related extended family members; and

WHEREAS, foster parents welcome into their homes children and youth ranging from newborns to non-minor dependants over the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, there are 295 county children in out-of-home care being provided with safe, secure, stable and nurturing homes with compassionate families; and

WHEREAS, foster parents practice a high standard of skilled parenting by being willing to seek out resources and training to help children cope with trauma, loss and separation through developmental life stages; and

WHEREAS, foster parents are valued members of a team dedicated to nurturing, honoring and supporting children and their families and help ensure that children remain in their communities; and

WHEREAS, foster parents mentor, support and advocate for children, families and each other; and

WHEREAS, foster parents are open to maintaining a lifelong connection to children, youth and families and are essential to supporting reunification and permanency by keeping children connected; and


WHEREAS, foster parents meet a special need in our community by ensuring children and youth receive the attention they need, the respect they deserve, and unconditional love; and

WHEREAS, foster parents make sure educational services, as well as medical and dental care are provided; and

WHEREAS, foster parents have recently stepped up to meet a critical need for additional homes, recruiting new foster parents, resulting in many new potential foster homes starting the licensing process; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims **May 2015 as FOSTER PARENTS APPRECIATION MONTH** and thank foster parents, Tribal homes, relative caregivers and non-related extended family caregivers for their dedication to Humboldt County children and youth.

DATED: May 5, 2015


ESTELLE FENNELL, Chair