

**MEMORANDUM
COUNTY OF PLACER
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Troy Held, Director
DATE: July 8, 2008
SUBJECT: Resolution Proclaiming August 2008 as Child Support Awareness Month

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve Resolution Proclaiming August 2008 as "Child Support Awareness Month" in Placer County.

BACKGROUND

Each year, the State of California formally recognizes the month of August as "Child Support Awareness Month" by proclamation from the Office of the Governor. It is proclaimed that children are the most valuable resource, and need the emotional, medical and financial support of each parent to reach their full potential as adults. It is promoting positive relationships, providing support services, enhancing stability and ensuring parents pay child support on a regular and timely basis.

In conjunction with the State Proclamation, the Placer County Board of Supervisors annually recognizes, and proclaims the Month of August as "Child Support Awareness Month" in and for the County of Placer.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

**PLACER COUNTY RESOLUTION
PROCLAIMING AUGUST 2008 AS "CHILD
SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH"**

WHEREAS, children are our most precious resource and become healthy, productive, and well-adjusted adults through the support and nurturing of their families, and,

WHEREAS, our children are our future, and they are entitled to the financial support they need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, the Placer County Department of Child Support Services provides critical services to children and families ensuring children have the opportunity to reach their full potential as productive adults and members of our community; and

WHEREAS, these crucial payments not only fulfill a legal responsibility, but they also reduce the need for public assistance and provide items needed for the child's everyday life, such as food, clothing, shelter and medical care; and

WHEREAS, last year, almost 18 million dollars in child support payments were collected, providing greater financial security for children and their families; and

WHEREAS, California and Placer County are strongly committed to seeking ways to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of its Child Support Program by implementing innovative programs and systems, and

WHEREAS, Child Support Awareness Month serves as a yearly reminder for parents to make sure that they provide the financial support necessary for their children, and

WHEREAS, increasing public awareness of the importance of this issue through education, media attention and outreach will reinforce the need for all parents to take responsibility for the financial, emotional, and physical support of their children;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors proclaims August 2008, as "*Child Support Awareness Month*" in Placer County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Placer County, State of California, this 8th day of July, 2008



Department of
Child Support Services

Signature

Date

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