

**MEMORANDUM
COUNTY OF PLACER
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Troy Held, Director *TH*

DATE: June 10, 2014

SUBJECT: Approve a Proclamation Declaring August 2014 as Child Support Awareness Month in Placer County.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the attached Proclamation declaring August 2014 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 in order to reach their full potential as adults. The designation of August as "Child Support Awareness Month" serves to assist the Placer County Department of Child Support Services in promoting positive relationships by providing support services that: enhance stability, while 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.

**Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California**

In the matter of a Proclamation declaring August 2014 as "Child Support Awareness Month" in Placer County in support of the State of California designating August 2014 as "Child Support Awareness Month".

The following Proclamation was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held, July 8, 2014.

WHEREAS, Child Support Awareness Month celebrates the key role that parental, emotional, and financial support play in the well-being of our most precious resource; our children, helping them to become healthy, productive, and well-adjusted adults; and,

WHEREAS, the Placer County Department of Child Support Services provides important services enabling parents to be a positive influence in the lives of their children, while ensuring children have an opportunity to reach their full potential; and,

WHEREAS, more than 8,000 local California child support professionals are steadfastly committed to improving the quality of life for 1.9 million California children and families through timely, accurate, and responsive child support services; which collected over \$2.3 billion last year, including over \$21 million by the Department of Child Support Services of Placer County; and

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

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the Placer County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare August, 2014 as "Child Support Awareness Month" in Placer County in support of the State of California designating August as "Child Support Awareness Month".

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