

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF MONTEREY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Resolution No.:

Adopt Resolution Proclaiming the month of _____)
May 2018 as “**Foster Care Month**” in Monterey County)

WHEREAS, The family, serving as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem and support, is the very foundation of our communities and our State; and

WHEREAS, At any given time in Monterey County there are approximately 430 children and youth in foster care being provided with a safe, secure, and stable home along with the compassion and nurture of a resource family (known as a foster family or relative caregiver); and

WHEREAS, The department and its dedicated non-profit partners provide a wide range of support for resource families to meet the needs of children and youth in foster care, ensuring that above basic needs, their educational, emotional, social and physical needs are met; and

WHEREAS, Resource families, who open their homes and hearts and offer help to children whose families are in crisis, deserve utmost respect and play a vital role helping children and families heal and reconnect and launching children into successful adulthood; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated resource families often adopt foster children who cannot return to the family of origin which consistently result in a greater need for more foster families; and

WHEREAS, There are numerous individuals, public and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children in and leaving foster care and this has been highlighted recently through the department’s partnership with CSUMB Salinas Center for Arts and Culture to bring Lost Childhoods exhibit to the City of Salinas; and

WHEREAS, Children and youth cannot be cared for to reach their potential without partnership and the foster care “system” is only as good as those who choose to be part of it; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, on behalf of the County and all the citizens thereof, hereby proclaims the month of May 2018 as “**Foster Care Month**” and urges all citizens to come forward and make a positive contribution that will help change the life of a child in foster care.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2018 by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Nicholas E. Chiulos, Acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of

Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book _____ for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Nicholas E. Chiulos, Acting Clerk of the Board of
Supervisors County of Monterey, State
of California

By _____, Deputy