

*The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California*

**In the matter of:
Foster Parent Recognition Month**

Resolution No. 2017/182

WHEREAS, the family serves as the primary source of love, identity, care and nurturing, and is the very foundation of our communities in Contra Costa County; and
WHEREAS, in Contra Costa County there are approximately 1,000 children and youth in foster care, being provided with safe, secure and stable home environment along with the compassion and nurturing of foster, relative and non-relative families; and
WHEREAS, all young people in foster care deserve a meaningful relationship with a caring, responsible, and compassionate adult, who becomes a supportive and lasting presence in their lives; and
WHEREAS, relative, non-relative, foster and adoptive families, who open their homes and hearts to care for children whose families are in crisis, play a vital role in helping children and families heal and reconnect thereby launching young people into successful adulthood; and
WHEREAS, dedicated foster and relative families frequently provide permanency for foster children, resulting in greater need for more foster and relative families; and
WHEREAS, there are numerous individuals, public and private organizations who work to increase public awareness of the needs of children living in and leaving foster care; and
WHEREAS, we recognize the enduring and valuable contribution of foster, relative and non-relative parents, and that the "system" is only as good as those who choose to be part of it.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved: that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors proclaims May 2017 as Foster Parent Recognition Month in Contra Costa County and urges all citizens to come forward to positively impact the lives of children and youth in foster care.

FEDERAL D. GLOVER
Chair, District V Supervisor

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I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: May 23, 2017

David J. Twa,

By: _____, Deputy