

The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of proclaiming May 2018 as Foster
Parent Recognition Month

Resolution No. 2018/165

WHEREAS, the Resource Family serves as a source of compassion, care, and nurturing, and is the very foundation of our communities in Contra Costa County; and
WHEREAS, in Contra Costa County there are approximately 1,100 children and youth in foster care, being provided with a 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, resource families help prepare teenagers for the transition into adult life, and offer critical support during a time when foster youth may experience heightened risk factors such as poverty, homelessness, and sometimes incarceration; and
WHEREAS, dedicated foster and relative families frequently provide permanency for foster children, resulting in a greater need for more resource 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 foster care "system" is only as good as those who choose to be part of it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County does hereby proclaims May 2018 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.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this day 8th of May 2018.



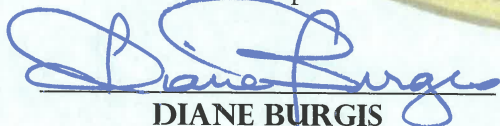
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Chair,
District IV Supervisor



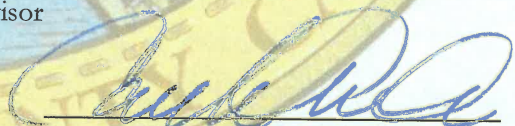
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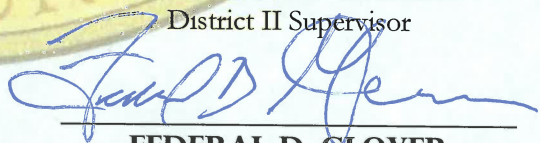
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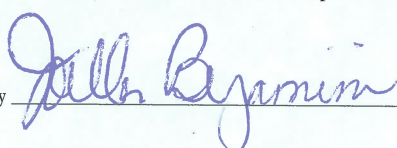
District V Supervisor



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 8, 2018

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By , Deputy