

**Yolo County
Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No. 22-58

Declaring May 2022 as Foster Care Month

WHEREAS, for more than 100 years, the Children's Bureau has worked to assist children and youth in foster care; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, California extended foster care services to age 21 through the Fostering Connections Success; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 49,000 children from California in foster care; and

WHEREAS, there are 325 children and youth in the foster care system in Yolo County; and

WHEREAS, every child in foster care deserves the security and opportunity for growth that a family can provide; and

WHEREAS, a child's success is best supported in a system that is family-focused, child-centered, trauma-informed and community-based; and

WHEREAS, foster, adoptive and kinship parents provide California's children with opportunities to be part of caring families and help them connect to permanent homes through reunification, permanent placement with relatives or preparation for adoption; and

WHEREAS, dedicated foster families frequently adopt foster children, resulting in a greater need for more foster-to-adopt families; and

WHEREAS, Yolo County recognizes the numerous individuals and public and private organizations that are dedicated to protecting the safety and meeting the needs of children and youth living in, and leaving, foster care, ensure that their voices are heard and help launch young people into successful adulthood.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors hereby declares the month of May 2021 as **Foster Care Month** in Yolo County and calls upon all residents to recognize Resource Families for their selfless commitment and to acknowledge the crucial role they play in providing stability and care for all children who cannot safely remain in their own homes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Villegas, Saylor, Sandy, Provenza, Barajas.

Angel Barajas, Chair
Yolo County Board of Supervisors