

**Yolo County
Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No. 23-48

Proclaiming April 2023 as Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month in Yolo County

WHEREAS, the United Nations, the Autism Society of America, Autism Speaks and other worldwide and national advocacy organizations have honored and socially supported persons with Autism Spectrum Disorder by proclaiming April 2023 to be known as either “Autism Awareness Month” or “Autism Acceptance Month;” and

WHEREAS, the number of Californians diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder is rising dramatically, including Yolo County residents; and

WHEREAS, historically many of this county’s, this state’s, this nation’s and the world’s children, teens and adults diagnosed with what is today called Autism Spectrum Disorder spent much of their lives excluded from full participation in the communities that they and their families called home; and

WHEREAS, Yolo County’s residents with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families are eager to collaborate with each other and with state and local agencies in establishing, seeking out and using local supportive resources that can allow them to participate in, to thrive in, and to contribute to their home communities; and

WHEREAS, the County of Yolo is eager to collaborate with residents diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, with their families, and with state and local agencies in finding ways to fully include today’s generation – and future generations – of people with Autism Spectrum Disorder in all healthy and legal sectors of daily and overnight life.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yolo County Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims April 2023 as Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month in the County of Yolo as requested by the members of the *Developmental Disabilities Future Planning Group of Yolo County (DDFP-Yolo)*.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of April, 2023 by the following vote:

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

Oscar Villegas, Chair
Yolo County Board of Supervisors