

**Yolo County
Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No. 23-55

Declaring April 30, 2023 as Día de los Niños: Celebrating Young Americans

WHEREAS, many nations throughout the world, and especially within the Western hemisphere, celebrate Día de los Niños on the 30th of April, in recognition and celebration of their country's future--their children; and

WHEREAS, this celebration began in Woodland 19 years ago because of the partnership between government agencies, non-profits and community members; and

WHEREAS, children are the center of families and represent the hopes and dreams of the people of Yolo County and children should be nurtured and invested in, to preserve and enhance economic prosperity, democracy, and social responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Latinos in the State of California, the youngest and fastest growing ethnic community in the State, continue the tradition of honoring their children on this day, and wish to share this custom with the rest of the State; and

WHEREAS, the primary teachers of family values, morality, and culture are parents and family members, and we rely on children to pass on these family values, morals, and culture to future generations; and

WHEREAS, the importance of literacy and education are most often communicated to children through family members; and

WHEREAS, families should be encouraged to engage in family and community activities that include extended and elderly family members and encourage children to explore, develop confidence, and pursue their dreams; and

WHEREAS, the designation of a day to honor the children of the County of Yolo will help affirm for the people the significance of family, education, and community; and

WHEREAS, the designation of a day of special recognition for the children of the County of Yolo will provide an opportunity for children to reflect on their future, to articulate their dreams and aspirations, and to find comfort and security in the support of their family members and communities; and

WHEREAS, the children of a nation are the responsibility of all its people, and people should be encouraged to celebrate the gifts of children to society--their curiosity, laughter, faith, energy, spirit, hopes, and dreams.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Yolo designates April 30, 2023, as Día de los Niños: Celebrating Young Americans; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors requests that the residents of Yolo County join with all children, families, organizations, communities, churches, cities, and towns across the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies, including—Activities that center around children's interests; Develop skills; Instill confidence; Capture children's dreams and hopes; Involve families and community; Reflect cultural diversity; Inspire and empower new generations of achievers; Create advocacy for children's issues and Engage civic leaders, media, sponsors and volunteers.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of April 2023, by the following vote:

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

Oscar Villegas, Chair
Yolo County Board of Supervisors