



RESOLUTION NO.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

Respite Care Services

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Agency is a department of the County of El Dorado and is overseen by the County of El Dorado Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Agency administers the County of El Dorado's Child Welfare Services Program; and

WHEREAS, respite care is defined as short-term care services, provided by approved resource family and/or licensed foster home ("Contractor"), which allows a resting period for family caregivers seeking to reduce parental stress; and

WHEREAS, respite care provides a healthy separation between a child and parent or legal guardian at times when parents/legal guardians may be experiencing high stress, which may place the child at increased risk of maltreatment; and

WHEREAS, respite care strengthens families by helping to maintain a balance between the caregiver and child, and enhances the protective factors for parental resilience; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Agency, working with County Counsel and Risk Management, has developed the attached "Respite Care Agreement" boilerplate; and

WHEREAS, the boilerplate agreement defines the roles and responsibilities of Health and Human Services Agency and the Contractor in providing Respite Care services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado hereby authorizes the Director of the Health and Human Services Agency, or designee, to execute future Respite Care boilerplate agreements using the "Respite Care Agreement" boilerplate attached hereto as Exhibit A.

