



PROCLAMATION

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO Proclaiming May 6-12, 2018 – Safety Seat Checkup Week

WHEREAS, the number one preventable cause of death and injury to children and young adults is the automobile collision; and,

WHEREAS, more than 90 child passengers under fifteen are killed and more than 10,000 are injured in automobile collisions in California in each year; and,

WHEREAS, 71% of small children killed in crashes would be alive today if they had been properly restrained in child safety seats and 45% of injuries to child occupants ages four to eight could be prevented with the use of booster seats; and,

WHEREAS, more than 90% of child safety seats are used incorrectly; and,

WHEREAS, the State of California requires that all occupants ride restrained properly in safety seats or safety belts with children riding in the back seat until they are at least eight years of age; and,

WHEREAS, the State of California requires all occupants of motor vehicles to be buckled up correctly during every vehicle ride; and,

WHEREAS, crash-tested safety seats are moderately priced and widely available for purchase at retail stores, and at low cost from safety seat distribution programs throughout the State of California; and,

WHEREAS, the California Highway Patrol Placerville Area Office offers at no cost the opportunity for local residents to schedule an appointment to have their child's safety seat inspected and to learn how to properly install their child's safety seat from one of the CHP's specially trained Child Safety Seat Technicians; and,

WHEREAS, the California Highway Patrol offers free replacement car seats and booster seats through funding provided by the Office of Traffic Safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado recognizes May 6-12, 2018, as Safety Seat Checkup Week in the County of El Dorado.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held this 8th day of May, 2018.

Attest:

James S. Mitrusin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

by:

Deputy Clerk

Michael Ranalli
Chair, Board of Supervisors