



## Proclamation

### OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

#### Proclaiming April 3-9, 2016 Safety Seat Checkup Week

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

**WHEREAS**, more than 90 child passengers under the age of fifteen are killed and more than 10,000 are injured in automobile collisions in California 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

**WHEREAS**, 45% of the 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 be properly restrained in safety seats or safety seat belts with children in the back seat until at least age eight; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California requires all occupants of motor vehicles to be buckled up correctly on every 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 California; and

**WHEREAS**, SafetyBeltSafe U.S.A. has been dedicated for more than 35 years to protecting children from injury or death while being transported in a motor vehicle.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado recognize April 3 – 9, 2016, be declared safety seat checkup week.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of the Board, held the 5th day of April, 2016.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Ron Mikulaco, Chair, Board of Supervisors