



## PROCLAMATION

**Of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado Recognizing  
MAY as FOSTER FARENT APPRECIATION MONTH in the County of El Dorado**

***“FOSTER PARENTS MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE”***

**WHEREAS**, County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency is committed to keeping families together and safe; and

**WHEREAS**, there are in excess of 60,000 children residing with foster families in the State of California due to abuse, neglect, or abandonment; and

**WHEREAS**, caring foster families have opened their hearts and their homes to provide for the physical and emotional health and educational needs of our foster children; and

**WHEREAS**, foster parents meet a very special need in our community by ensuring foster children receive attention, respect, love, compassion, and guidance; and

**WHEREAS**, foster parents are called upon to support both the children and their parents during efforts to safely reunify families of origin whenever possible and contribute to alternative permanency options when necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, there remains a significant need for additional caring adults in El Dorado County to consider opening their homes to children in need of foster care; and

**WHEREAS**, El Dorado County foster parents deserve our gratitude and respect for the work they do every day to ensure that our children can move beyond the events that brought them into the child welfare system and prepare them for a fulfilling productive life in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, *the County of El Dorado recognizes all foster parents and thanks them for the care they provide to the children in their homes.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, *that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim month of May 2014 as Foster Parent Appreciation Month for all to recognize and pay tribute to the County's foster parent population.*

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** *by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 20th day of May, 2014.*

Attest:

*James S. Mitrisin*

*Clerk of the Board of Supervisors*

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors*

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Norma Santiago, Chair,  
Board of Supervisors*