

A PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the Year of the Child, 2013 Acknowledgement of the First 5 El Dorado Commission

WHEREAS, the people of El Dorado County promote nurturing, stable and loving family environments so that all children enter school physically and emotionally healthy and ready to learn; and,

WHEREAS, the First 5 El Dorado Commission is committed to improving the lives of children 0 through 5 years old and their families by promoting, enhancing, and developing comprehensive early childhood systems through collaborative partnerships, early care and education, health and community services; and,

WHEREAS, every dollar spent on high-quality early education programs saves society \$7 in the future costs for special education, delinquency, crime control, welfare benefits, lost taxes and other areas; and,

WHEREAS, children that have early learning experiences prior to school entry are on average more prepared than their peers; and,

WHEREAS, children that are engaged in early literacy activities, annual health exams, and developmental screenings by parents and early care and education provides are better prepared for school.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado does herewith acknowledge the efforts of the First 5 El Dorado Commission and their efforts to provide comprehensive and beneficial programming for our 0 through 5-year-old population that help to create thriving, happy, healthy children who become contributing adults in the community.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 26th day of March, 2013.

Attest: James S. Mitrisin Clerk of the Board of Supervisors by:	
Deputy Clerk	Ron Briggs, Chair Board of Supervisors County of El Dorado