



Proclamation
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO
PROCLAIMING APRIL 2, 2016 AS AUTISM AWARENESS DAY AND
APRIL 2016 AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

Whereas, autism and autism spectrum disorders are neurodevelopment disorders of unknown etiology that may cause significant impairments in language, communications, social interactions, abnormalities in behaviors, and other physical manifestations; and

Whereas, prevalence of autism in the United States is estimated at 1 in 68 births and 1 in 42 boys; and

Whereas, prevalence of autism has increased by 119.4 percent from 2000 to 2010 and is the fastest growing development disability; and

Whereas, autism costs a family \$60,000 a year on average; and

Whereas, there is no medical detection or cure for autism; however, studies show that if individuals with autism receive early and intensive treatment throughout their lives, they can lead significantly improved lives; and

Whereas, individuals with autism often require a lifetime of specialized services and community support to ensure their health and safety and to support families' resilience as they manage the psychological and financial burdens that autism can present; and

Whereas, El Dorado County is promoting an awareness effort to educate parents, professionals and the general public about autism and its effects.

Now therefore be it proclaimed that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim April 2, 2016 as Autism Awareness Day and the month of April 2016 as Autism Awareness Month in the County of El Dorado.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 22nd day of, March 2016.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
by:

Deputy Clerk

Chair, Board of Supervisors