

of the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado proclaiming May as FOSTER PARENT RECOGNITION MONTH in El Dorado County

"FOSTER PARENTS CHANGE LIFETIMES"

In recognition of foster families throughout the country, for opening their hearts to children and providing a home, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors proclaims May as Foster Parent Recognition Month.

Whereas,	The American family serves as the primary source of love, identity, self-esteem, and support, in addition to being the very foundation of our community and our nation; and
Whereas,	There are over 500,000 children across the Country residing with foster families who are dedicated to providing foster children with love and values that will prepare them for responsible adult living; and
Whereas,	Foster parents have an influential role in helping to ensure that foster children receive the care and services necessary to achieve safety and stability, with the ultimate goal of a lifelong permanent living arrangement; and
Whereas,	Many foster parents have made endless contributions, and we should acknowledge the importance of their care, serving as role models and an inspiration to others; and
Whereas,	Foster Parent Recognition Month provides an opportunity to recognize and express appreciation for the efforts of local foster parents at an honorary event on May 21, 2009 at the El Dorado County Department of Human Services, sponsored by El Dorado County Child Protective Services.
<i>Now, therefore be it Resolved,</i> the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare and proclaim May 2009 as Foster Parent Recognition Month, to pay tribute to the foster	

- proclaim May 2009 as Foster Parent Recognition Month, to pay tribute to the foster parent population in local communities and throughout the world, and to encourage all businesses, public and private, schools, groups and citizens to recognize and celebrate foster parents as a vital and valuable resource.
- **Passed and Adopted** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board on May 5, 2009.

Attest: Suzanne Allen De Sanchez Clerk, Board of Supervisors

By_