

## Child Support Awareness Month — August 2018

WHEREAS, August has been recognized as National Child Support Awareness Month since 1995 when President Clinton said, "Children are the best part of ourselves—the sum of our past and the promise of our future"; and

**WHEREAS,** Child Support Awareness Month affords an opportunity to honor parents for the important role they play in their children's lives and to spread the word about the child support program and the services it provides; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Child Support Services, in conjunction with 49 local child support agencies throughout the state, is commemorating this year's Child Support Awareness Month by spreading the message "They don't need perfect, they just need you."; and

WHEREAS, last year, local child support agencies statewide collected and distributed more than \$2.4 billion in child support thereby improving the quality of life for 1.2 million children and families that participate in the California Child Support Program; and

**WHEREAS,** August provides an opportunity to recognize the professionals who work in El Dorado County's local program and do this important work on behalf of approximately 4,800 children, collecting a record \$13,763,812 this last fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, the El Dorado County Department of Child Support Services works collaboratively with parents, their employers, our local courts, other county departments, and several community-based organizations to place the interests of children first; and

**WHEREAS,** Child Support Awareness Month reminds us that children are our most valuable resource and need the emotional, medical, and financial support of both parents to meet their potential and to fulfill their dreams.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado, at their regular meeting held August 28, 2018, does hereby declare August 2018 as Child Support Awareness Month.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at the regular meeting of said Board, held the 28th day of August 2018.

## Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, by:

Deputy Clerk

Michael Ranalli, Chair, Board of Supervisors