SUTTER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Staff Report

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Nancy O'Hara, Director of Health & Human Services
Department: Health & Human Services
Subject: Approval to Prepare Proclamation Recognizing May as "National Foster Care Month" for Presentation on May 28, 2019

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the preparation of a Proclamation recognizing May as National Foster Care Month in Sutter County. It is also requested that the Board of Supervisors approve providing the Foster Parents Association with the attached Proclamation in honor of National Foster Care Month.

Background: Foster Parents provide an essential service to the abused and neglected children of Sutter County. Foster Parents open their homes and hearts to the children who, because of neglect, abuse or abandonment, are in need of safe homes on a temporary or long-term basis.

Sutter County currently has one hundred and fifty-six (156) area children placed in foster care including foster family agency homes, relatives, guardianships and county approved Resource Family homes, formerly known as foster homes.

By proclaiming May as National Foster Care Month, the Board of Supervisors will promote public awareness of the services provided by Foster Parents, also known as Resource Families, and the need for additional Resource Family homes in Sutter County to keep our children in their own community.

Prior Board Action: The Board last approved a proclamation recognizing May as National Foster Care month at its meeting of April 24, 2018.

Board Alternatives: The Board could elect to not authorize this proclamation. This alternative is not recommended.

Other Department and/or Agency Involvement: Sutter County Counsel has reviewed the Proclamation.

Action Following Approval: The office of the Clerk of the Board will prepare the proclamation and it will be presented to the Foster Parents Association at the May 28, 2019 Board meeting.

Fiscal Impact: There is minimal fiscal impact associated with the cost of preparing this proclamation.
Countywide Goals and/or Top Priorities Compliance: This item helps to address Countywide Goal F: Remain committed to community and cultural programs and services, such as Library, Museum and Veterans services.

Standing Committee Review: Pursuant to Sutter County Administrative Policies and Procedures #305, routine proclamations are not required to go to Committee and can be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Respectfully Submitted,

s/ Nancy O’Hara
Director of Health & Human Services

Attachments:
1. National Foster Care Month Proclamation May 2019