



**Yolo County Board of Education  
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools**

**Resolution #22-23/50  
In Support of National Foster Care Month – May 2023**

**WHEREAS**, the youth of Yolo County are our most precious resource and hope for the future, all children deserve a safe, loving and nurturing place to call home; and

**WHEREAS**, Resource Families (including foster, adoptive and kinship families) are the unsung heroes that serve as the primary source of love, protection, and support to the abused and neglected children of Yolo County; and

**WHEREAS**, Resource Families who open their hearts and homes to children whose families are in crisis play a vital role in helping children and families heal and reconnect thereby launching young people into successful adulthood; and

**WHEREAS**, a child's success is best supported in a system that is family-focused, child-centered, and community-based; and

**WHEREAS**, there are 410 children and youth in the foster care system in Yolo County; and

**WHEREAS**, Resource Families provide Yolo's children with the opportunity to be part of a caring family; and

**WHEREAS**, this year the theme for National Foster Care Month is "Strengthening Minds. Uplifting Families" which highlights the need to take a holistic and culturally responsive approach to supporting the mental health needs of those involved with child welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, National Foster Care Month provides an opportunity to recognize and appreciate the relatives, Non-Relative Extended Family Members, Resource Families, community members, and social workers who support children and youth in foster care; and to continue our efforts in ensuring the futures of children and youth in foster care remain bright; and

**WHEREAS**, much remains to be done to ensure that all children have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family, regardless of age or special needs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools hereby declare support of the month of May 2023 as National Foster Care Month and encourages all in Yolo County to honor the commitment and dedication of the individuals who work tirelessly to provide assistance, education and services to children in the foster care system.

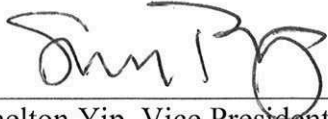
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Yolo County Board of Education on April 11, 2023.

**AYES:** Esquivel, Moreno, Yip

**NOES:** None

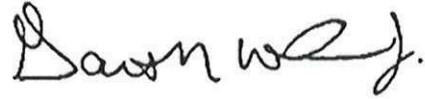
**ABSENT:** Salud-Ambriz, Zendejas

**ABSTAIN:** None



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Shelton Yip, Vice President  
Yolo County Board of Education



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Garth Lewis  
Yolo County Superintendent of Schools