

Yolo County Board of Education and Yolo County Superintendent of Schools

Resolution #23-24/43: National Foster Care Month – May 2024

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 and youth of Yolo County; and

WHEREAS, Resource families who open their hearts and homes to children and youth 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, we acknowledge that much work remains to be done to ensure that all children and youth have a safe, loving, nurturing, and permanent family, regardless of age or special needs; 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, Foster Care Month is an appropriate time to acknowledge the accomplishments and successes of the resource families, the child welfare workforce, advocacy community, education leaders, and mentors for their dedication and work to ensure the futures of children and youth in foster care remain bright.

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 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 and youth in the foster care system.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Yolo County Board of Education at a meeting held on April 9, 2024.

AYES:Moreno, Yip, ZendejasNOES: NoneABSENT: Salud-Ambriz, EsquivelABŞTAIN: None

Shelton Yip, President

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