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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Karina Castañeda for Natasha Merkuloff Nichols - Director
Child Support Services
REPORT BY: Karina Castaneda, Child Support Program Manager, 259-8289
SUBJECT: Proclamation declaring August, 2006 to be "Child Support Awareness Month"

RECOMMENDATION

Presentation of a proclamation declaring August, 2006 as "Child Support Awareness Month" in Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of Child Support Awareness Month is to increase public awareness and recognize the importance of adequate financial support for children. Natasha Merkuloff, Director, will accept the proclamation on behalf of all staff of the Department.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The proclamation designates the month of August as Child Support Awareness Month. It recognizes that children are entitled to financial support from both parents, and that children who receive such support are more likely to become productive citizens. The goal of Child Support Awareness Month is to enhance public awareness of the

importance of parents supporting their children, and to highlight the role of Napa County's Child Support Program which serves an estimated 6,000 children nationwide. Over \$10 million of child support monies were distributed in fiscal year 2005-2006.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Child Support Awareness Month Proclamation

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi