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AGENDA July 21, 2009

July 10, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board Members:

SUBJECT: Request to Proclaim August, 2009 "Child Support Awareness Month"

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

In order for the County of Alameda to formally recognize Child Support Awareness Month in August, 2009, it is recommended that your Board:

Approve and adopt the attached Resolution proclaiming August, 2009 to be Child Support Awareness Month in Alameda County.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Child Support programs throughout the State of California provide important services enabling parents to be a positive influence in the lives of their children which benefit all living and working in California. Nearly 8,000 local California child support professionals throughout the State are steadfastly committed to improving the quality of life for 1.6 million California children and families through timely, accurate, and responsive child support services. Over \$2.3 billion was collected in California last year. During the past year Alameda County collected over \$84,446,844 in child support, and continues to serve on average over 38,000 children per month with an appreciation that each case represents a family in our community.

Traditionally the Governor has declared the month of August as Child Support Awareness month

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in the State of California in celebration of the key role parental, emotional, and financial support play in the well-being of our children, our most precious resource, in helping them to become healthy, productive, and well-adjusted adults. In recognition of Child Support Awareness month, the California Child Support Directors' Association, in conjunction with the State Department of Child Support Services, calls upon all communities and leaders to promote the "Get Back on the Road Again" campaign encouraging parents who have had a drivers' or professional license suspended for failure to pay their child support obligations to re-engage with the child support program and with their children.

### **FINANCING**:

There are no costs associated with the Board's adoption of this Resolution.

Very truly yours,

Maureen K. Lenahan, Director

Department of Child Support Services

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cc: Auditor-Controller County Counsel

Approval as to Form: Richard E. Winnie, County Counsel

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### THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NUMBER: R-10-

# RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AUGUST, 2009 CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Child Support Awareness Month celebrates the key role parental, emotional, and financial support play in the well-being of our children, our most precious resource, helping them to become healthy, productive, and well-adjusted adults; and

WHEREAS, the California Child Support Program provides important services enabling parents to be a positive influence in the lives of their children, thereby benefiting all who live and work in California; and

WHEREAS, nearly 8,000 local California child support professionals throughout the State are steadfastly committed to improving the quality of life for 1.6 million California children and families through timely, accurate, and responsive child support services collecting over \$2.3 billion last year; and

WHEREAS, dedicated staff in the County of Alameda, Department of Child Support Services, collected over \$84,446,844 in the past year and continues to serve on average more than 38,000 children per month with an appreciation that each case represents a family in our community; and

WHEREAS, the California Child Support Directors' Association, in conjunction with the State Department of Child Support Services, calls upon all communities and leaders during the month of August to promote the "Get Back on the Road Again" campaign encouraging parents who have had a drivers' or professional license suspended for failure to pay child support to re-engage with the child support program and their children;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors, County of Alameda, State of California, do hereby proclaim the month of August, 2009 to be declared "Child Support Awareness Month" in Alameda County.

The foregoing Resolution was passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alameda this
day of, 2009. Effective July 21, 2009.
ATTEST:
Signed:
Date: