

# Resolution No. 2013-38

## RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING 2013 AS YEAR OF THE CHILD AND APRIL 2013 AS CHILDREN'S MONTH

**WHEREAS**, California is home to 9.5 million children, from infants and toddlers to school-agers and teens; and

**WHEREAS**, these children are the future of our state, with our investment in our children of today representing our investment in the working people, community leaders, parents and problem-solvers of tomorrow; and

**WHEREAS**, it is therefore, imperative that the elected officials, community leaders and policymakers of today prioritize California's children and consider the impact of each decision they make on all of our children today, tomorrow, and in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, California voters approved Proposition 10 in 1998 investing First 5 California and 58 County First 5 Commissions with responsibility to lead communities in expanding early developmental and school readiness services and improving systems for children ages 0 to 5 and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, each First 5 Commission, California State Preschools and local Head Start programs work in partnership with county Boards of Supervisors as well as other public and non-profit agencies to address the needs of young children and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, California counties share this dedication to the good health, school readiness, and general wellbeing of our children, who cannot vote, lobby or advocate, and are dependent on the adults of today for their well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the California State Association of Counties has challenged his colleagues to ask "How are the children?" and to always consider what is best for the children and to continue focusing on the children until we can say with confidence, "All the children are well;" and

**WHEREAS**, Solano community partners including the Children's Network, Travis Air Force Base, Child Care Planning Council, Child Abuse Prevention Council, Solano Family and Children's Services, First 5 Solano, Health and Social Services Department, Office of Family Violence Prevention, Solano County Library, and others have joined together to expand awareness of young children's issues by promoting "April Children's Month" through public education and community events.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors joins the California State Association of Counties with elected officials across the state, First 5 commissions, California State Preschools and Head Start programs and their many community partners in recognizing the critical importance of placing children at the core of our plans, at the heart of our purpose and at the top of every agenda in recognizing 2013 as Year of the Child.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes April 2013 as Children's Month and encourages all residents to work to support the healthy growth and development of children and youth in Solano County.

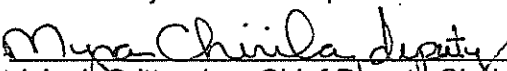
Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2013



LINDA J. SEIFERT, Chair  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By   
Patricia J. Crittenden, Chief Deputy Clerk