Resolution No. 2025-

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING AUGUST 2025 AS NATIONAL BREASTFEEDING MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, this year's National Breastfeeding Month theme of "Forward Together: Breastfeeding for a Healthier Future" will be recognized across the United States in the month of August to recognize the importance of breastfeeding from infancy and early childhood, as well as highlight the benefits during parenthood and for community health; and

WHEREAS, National Breastfeeding Month focuses on four key areas, one for each week with week one dedicated to *World Breastfeeding Week*; week two designated as *Indigenous Milk Medicine Week*; week three as *Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Breastfeeding Week*; and week four as *Black Breastfeeding Week*; and

WHEREAS, exclusive breastfeeding or breastmilk feeding is the cornerstone of child health because it provides essential, irreplaceable nutrition for a child's growth and development and is a key element in the wellbeing of every child, giving them an equitable and optimal start in life, particularly among impoverished and vulnerable groups; and

WHEREAS, breastmilk contains many substances that support the baby's immune system, including disease-fighting antibodies, immune factors, enzymes, and white blood cells, all of which are essential components to the development of a resilient and thriving child; and

WHEREAS, the Solano County Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program provides breastfeeding support, nutrition education, and counseling to improve the health and dietary needs of low-income families; and

WHEREAS, on August 7th, the Breastfeeding Coalition of Solano County will host the 8th annual Donor Human Milk Drive and celebration in the Multipurpose room at 2101 Courage Drive, Fairfield to celebrate breastfeeding families and provide information to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes August 2025 as National Breastfeeding Month in Solano County and joins other counties and states in this observance.

Dated this 22nd day of July 2025

MITCH H. MASHBURN, Chair Solano County Board of Supervisors
ATTEST: BILL EMLEN, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors
By:Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk