Resolution No. 2016-192

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZINGTHE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23-29, 2016 AS NATIONAL CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, childhood lead poisoning is a silent but harmful environmental condition that primarily affects children under six years of age because of their frequent hand to mouth activity and because their rapidly growing and developing bodies absorb more lead; and

WHEREAS, no level of lead in the body is safe or normal; lead is a potent neurotoxin that can cause delayed development, learning disabilities, cognitive and behavior disorders, anemia; hearing loss and kidney problems; and

WHEREAS, childhood lead hazards are most commonly associated with chipping, peeling, or deteriorated paint; bare soil containing lead; certain glazed ceramics, dishware, toys, and jewelry; some home remedies, and religious and cultural powders, such as sindoor, surma and turmeric; and

WHEREAS, to help keep children safe and healthy, lead hazards should be removed from a child's environment; all children under age six should be evaluated for lead poisoning risks; and at-risk children should receive blood tests for lead regularly; and

WHEREAS, lead poisoning can only be detected through a blood test performed by a qualified medical professional; and

WHEREAS, California has enacted landmark legislation to prevent childhood lead poisoning, and as such, public health professionals throughout the state are working to educate Californians about prevention of childhood lead poisoning, including conducting outreach and education events throughout the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the week of October 23 - 29, 2016 as "National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Week".

Dated this 25th day of October, 2016

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy/Clerk