

# *Resolution No. 2023-*

## **RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2023 AS SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME AWARENESS MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are an estimated 3,400 sudden and unexpected infant deaths (SUID) each year in the United States, with Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) as the leading reported type of SUID with an estimated 1,389 cases in 2020, and 15 SUIDS/SIDS deaths in Solano County between 2017-2021; and

**WHEREAS**, SIDS is recognized as the third leading cause of infant mortality in the United States by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, although the overall rate of SIDS in the United States has declined by more than 50% since 1990, declines have slowed since 1999, especially among non-Hispanic Black, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native infants; and

**WHEREAS**, interventions such as always placing baby on its back to sleep on a firm mattress, room-sharing without bed-sharing, keeping soft toys and blankets out of baby's sleep area, keeping baby warm but not hot, and never smoking around a baby all lower the risk of SIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, full-term infants and infants that are born at optimum birth weight (more than 5.8 pounds) have a lower risk of SIDS; and

**WHEREAS**, Solano County Health and Social Services, Public Health Division, Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Bureau, is coordinating awareness, education, health, and risk reduction related activities across the county during the month of October.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the month of October 2023 as SIDS Awareness Month in Solano County and encourages all residents to support the health and well-being of all infants and their families.

Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023

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JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:  
BILL EMLIN, Clerk  
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alicia Draves, Chief Deputy Clerk