Resolution No. 2018-

RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2018 AS NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Adoption Month provides an opportunity to recognize and show appreciation to adoptive families and the dedicated professionals who are committed to these families and the children they adopt; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 128 children in Solano County's foster care system currently awaiting adoption and in need of finding loving and permanent families; and

WHEREAS, many of these children have special needs, such as physical, emotional and behavioral challenges, or are a member of a sibling group; and

WHEREAS, every child deserves a permanent place to call home; and

WHEREAS, this year's outreach and awareness raising efforts highlight the need for committed families for older children and youth in foster care; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the bond that unites adoptive parents and their sons and daughters; and

WHEREAS, 2018 National Adoption Month initiative, the theme "In their own words: Lifting up Youth Voices," highlights the importance of identifying well-prepared and committed families for the thousands of teenagers in foster care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in honor of National Adoption Month, the Solano County Board of Supervisors encourages the community, businesses, groups, schools, faith-based organizations, and families to help secure permanent and loving homes for each and every child and teen regardless of race, age, gender, health, emotional or behavioral challenge or past distress.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize the month of November as National Adoption Month and salutes those individuals who participate in the adoption process to secure permanent homes for waiting children and to find every child's forever family.

Dated this 6th day of November, 2018

| JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair | |
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| Solano County Board of Supervisors | |
| ATTEST: BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors | |
| By: | |
| Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk | |