## Resolution No. 2019 - 143

## RESOLUTION OF THE SOLANO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING AUGUST 1-7 AS WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK IN SOLANO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the World Breastfeeding Week 2019 theme is "Empower parents, enable breastfeeding"; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding is a key element in the health and well-being of every child from the beginning of his or her life; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding is the great equalizer, giving every child a fair and optimal start in life, particularly among poor and vulnerable groups; and

WHEREAS, the Woman, Infants and Children program, the Regional Breastfeeding Liaison and the Breastfeeding Peer Counseling program are committed to increasing participant breastfeeding rates at six months of age; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding and adequate complementary feeding are fundamentals for readiness to learn, contributing to mental and cognitive development; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding provides a healthy, non-polluting, non-resource intensive, sustainable and natural source of nutrition and sustenance; and

WHEREAS, breastfeeding safeguards infant health and nutrition in times of adversity and natural weather-related disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Breastfeeding Coalition of Solano County recognizes the entire month of August to celebrate World Breastfeeding Week; and

WHEREAS, in the month of August, the Breastfeeding Coalition is hosting its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Donor Breast Milk Drive to receive donations for the San Jose Mother's Milk Bank that provides breastmilk for premature and medically-fragile infants.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Solano County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes August 1-7, 2019 as World Breastfeeding Week and joins other counties, the State and countries throughout the world in this observance.

Dated this 23rd day of July, 2019

ERIN HANNIGAN, Chairwoman Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

BIRGITTA E. CORSELLO, Clerk Solano County Board of Supervisors

Jeanette Neiger, Chief Deputy Clerk