



COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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SENDA DATE: October 30,	2018
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Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk Published Notice Required Advertised Published Notice County Counsel Sign-Off Meet & Confer Required Electronic file(s) has been sent Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached Personnel Resolution attached Agreements are attached and signature tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes
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SUBJECT:

Proclamation for Court Adoption and Permanency Month in Tulare

County

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Designate the month of November 2018 as "Court Adoption and Permanency Month" in Tulare County.

SUMMARY:

Courts throughout California will celebrate Court Adoption and Permanency Month this year from November 1 through November 30, 2018. Court Adoption and Permanency Month is a result of a legislative resolution coauthored by Assembly Member Thurmond (Bill No. ACR 284). It states: "The Legislature hereby designates November 2018 as court Adoption and Permanency Month, during which the Courts and their local communities are encouraged to join in activities to expedite permanency for children."

The Tulare County Superior Court recommends adopting a resolution proclaiming November to be Court Adoption and Permanency Month. The proclamation recognizes the ongoing efforts of California's juvenile courts and their justice partners to provide children and families with access to fair, understandable judicial proceedings leading to timely, well-informed, and just permanency outcomes. Tulare County Superior Court will hold its Court Adoption and Permanency Month event on November 16, 2018.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is not any fiscal impact.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

Court Adoption and Permanency Month is directly linked to Tulare County's Strategic Initiative 3, Quality of Life, to promote public health and welfare. Court Adoption and Permanency Month encourages communities to join together to engage in activities that encourage adoption and promote projects that expedite permanency.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Sophia Almanza, MBA

Deputy CAO, Budget and Finance

cc: County Administrative Office

Superior Court of Tulare County

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER	OF PROCL	AMAT	ION)		
FOR "COURT AD	OPTION AN	ND)	Resolution No.	
PERMANENCY COUNTY	MONTH"	IN	TULARE)		

WHEREAS, consistent with its commitment to support practices and procedures that promote access to justice and improved case outcomes for California's children and families, the Judicial Council has recognized November as Court Adoption and Permanency Month every year since 1999; and

WHEREAS, nearly half a million incidents of child abuse and neglect are reported each year in California, and about 23,400 children enter child welfare-supervised foster care for the first time each year; and

WHEREAS, nearly 62,900 children in California live apart from their families in child welfare-supervised out-of-home care and thirty-eight percent of the children in foster care in California have lived apart from their families for two or more years; twenty-four percent of the youth in care are transitional-age youth between 16 and 20 years of age, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, of the more than 26,000 California children who left foster care in 2014, approximately 57 percent were reunited with their families, 22 percent were adopted, and 6 percent exited foster care without reunifying or obtaining a permanent home by the time they reached the age of majority; and

WHEREAS, local courts and communities throughout California have created programs promoting permanency that have resulted in a reduction in the number of children waiting to live in safe, stable, and permanent homes. The judicial Council has endeavored to support these programs by creating resources, including children's activity books, orientation videos, and written materials for parents, to encourage parents and children in the dependency process; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Council remains committed to working with the Governor, the Legislature, and local courts and communities to ensure that every abused or neglected child finds a safe, stable, and permanent home with a loving family as quickly as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tulare County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize November 1 through November 30, 2018 as Court Adoption and Permanency month throughout the County of Tulare, in which the courts and their local communities are encouraged to join together to engage in activities, including Saturday adoptions, and other projects to expedite permanency.

UPON MOTION O	F SUPERVIS	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR		_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISO	RS, AT AN O	FFICIAL MEETING HELD October 30, 2018, BY
THE FOLLOWING VOTE	:	
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:		
	ATTEST:	JASON T. BRITT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
	BY:	Deputy Clerk