

## DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2012 AS COURT ADOPTION AND PERMANENCY MONTH

WHEREAS, each year in California there are more than 450,000 reports of child abuse and neglect and more than 45,000 court filings alleging child abuse or neglect; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 105,000 children in California living apart from their families in out-of-home care; and

**WHEREAS**, 25 percent of the children in foster care in California have been in the foster care system for five years or more; and

**WHEREAS**, each year in California approximately 5,000 children are placed in adoptive homes and approximately 4,000 are adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, the Judicial Council of California has made improving the administration of justice of proceeding involving children and families a high priority; and

WHEREAS, The Tulare County Board of Supervisors joins with the Judicial Council of California in its commitment to working with the Governor, the Legislature, and local courts and communities to achieve permanence for children in the abuse and neglect system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, the Tulare County Board of Supervisors, declare November 1 through November 30, 2012 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.

October 24, 2012

Allen Ishida, Chairman

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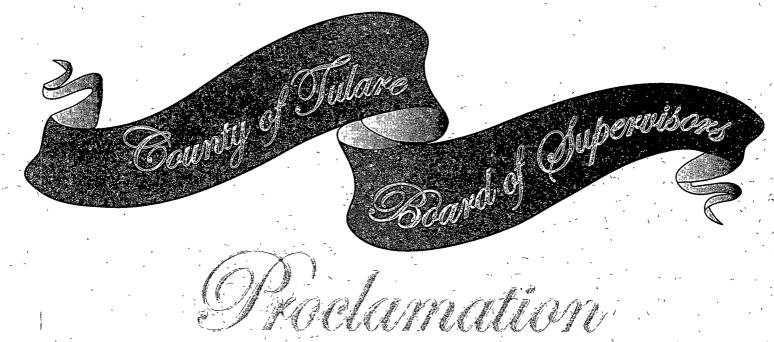
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## RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS OF OUTGOING PORTERVILLE CHAMBER BOARD CHAIR DR. AMBER BUSH WILOTH

**WHEREAS**, a Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary federation of the business community, uniting the efforts of business and professional individuals to ensure a healthy economic and social base to benefit the entire community.

WHEREAS, The Porterville Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization of business and professional people committed to the betterment of their community through economic development and a strong, healthy business, environment.

WHEREAS, Dr. Amber Bush Wiloth has served as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Porterville Chamber of Commerce for the 2012 fiscal year, and

WHEREAS as Board Chair, Dr. Wiloth championed for the Chamber's efforts to promote the community and strengthen the economy as well as help to create better awareness of the valuable services provided by the chamber; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wiloth also assisted in strengthening existing Chamber programs, launching new initiative for assistance of business entrepreneurs, and led the Board, staff, and volunteers to achieve a record 42 ribbon cutting celebrations.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tulare hereby recognizes the efforts of Dr. Amber Wilothand wishes to express their gratitude for her outstanding leadership and her positive impact on the community.

November 3, 2012

Allen Ishida, Chairman

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