

Santa Barbara County of

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AUGUST 2026 AS CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, August is observed as Child Support Awareness Month, providing an opportunity to recognize the vital role child support services play in strengthening families through financial stability, promoting parental responsibility, and enhancing the well-being of children throughout our community; and

WHEREAS, California's child support program provides free or low-cost services that help parents through every step, including setting up and changing court orders, locating parents, completing genetic testing, arranging medical support, and handling payment collection and distribution; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County's goal is to give parents a simpler, more accessible path to meeting their child support responsibilities by offering tools that make the process easier and more accessible, thus helping parents focus on what matters most—raising healthy, secure, and thriving children; and

WHEREAS, Santa Barbara County Child Support Services serves nearly 9,200 child support cases, distributing \$28.3 million in annual support to families and children; and

WHEREAS, during the month of August, Child Support Services is engaging the community through outreach and education at locations Countywide: the Federal Correctional Complex Lompoc, to Social Services staff, at County Health Back-to-School Health Fairs, during Kids Day at Waller Park, at Downtown Fridays in Santa Maria, during Old Town Market in Lompoc, on Spanish-language radio, and with our annual school supply distribution, occurring this year at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Mid Central Coast Ron Estabillo Clubhouse in Guadalupe; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara does hereby acknowledge August 2026 as "*Child Support Awareness Month*" in Santa Barbara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 18th day of August 2026, by a unanimous vote of all members present.



Mona Diaz
ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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