

# Santa Barbara County of

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**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2026 AS MONTH OF THE YOUNG CHILD IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**

*WHEREAS, Participation in stable, high-quality early care and education and school-age care makes working families more economically secure and prepares children to succeed in school and live healthier lives; and*

*WHEREAS, Early care and education professionals are invested in being responsive to the child care needs of families, as evidenced by their collaborations and professional development; and*

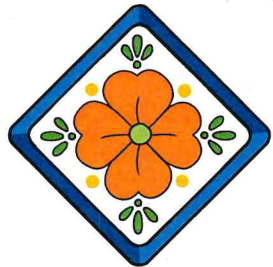
*WHEREAS, Children's cognitive, physical, social and emotional development, as well as language and literacy skills, are built on a foundation of children's positive interactions with adults, peers, and their environment; and*

*WHEREAS, Collaborations amongst various agencies across Santa Barbara County intend to support early education professionals who are essential to providing quality care and education to the youngest children of our county; and*

*WHEREAS, We celebrate and commemorate The Month of the Young Child® so that we may continue to shine a light of recognition upon the essential nature of the early child care and education professionals with the Santa Barbara County Child Care Planning Council, First 5 Santa Barbara County, Children's Resource and Referral, Santa Barbara County Child Abuse Prevention Council, the Santa Barbara County Network of Family Resource Centers, and others.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara does hereby recognize April 2026 as Month of the Young Child in Santa Barbara County and celebrates the complex, valuable, essential, and demanding work of early care and education and school-age care professionals.

**PASSED and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, State of California, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.**



*Maria Rodriguez*  
 ATTEST: Clerk of the Board

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 Supervisor - 1st District

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 Supervisor - 2nd District

*Joan Hawthorn*  
 Supervisor - 3rd District

*Bob Teh*  
 Supervisor - 4th District

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 Supervisor - 5th District

