

County of Sonoma

State of California

Date: April 26, 2019

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Resolution Number:

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Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Proclaiming the Fourth Friday in April as Children's Memorial Flag Day Throughout Sonoma County In Memory Of Children Who Were Lost By Acts Of Violence

Whereas, each year throughout the country, tragic cases of abuse, neglect and violence against children occur with some of these cases leading to death; and

Whereas, in 1998, the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) launched the Children's Memorial Flag Campaign, a national effort to raise awareness of child abuse, neglect and other acts of violence against children; and

Whereas, Minimizing Occurrences of Violence in Everyday Society (MOVES) was founded in Sonoma County over twenty years ago by Superior Court Judge Arnold Rosenfield to reduce violence in the local community through public education and outreach; and

Whereas, the Children's Memorial Flag has become a symbol to honor and memorialize children who have been lost through acts of violence and raise awareness of the issues of child abuse and neglect; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma in partnership with local organizations such as MOVES, are committed to raising awareness in the community for the need to protect children from acts of violence; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors does herby proclaim the Fourth Friday in April as Children's Memorial Day; and **Be It Further Proclaimed,** that the Children's Memorial Flag be flown on April 26, 2019 by the County of Sonoma to memorialize the deaths of children caused by acts of violence and to raise awareness within the community in efforts to help prevent the loss of children from such acts of violence.

Supervisors:

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| Ayes: | Noes: | | Absent: | Abstain: |

So Ordered.