The Board of Supervisors of
Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of declaring April 2011 as
Child Abuse Prevention Month in
Contra Costa County

RESOLUTION NO. 2011/123

WHEREAS, Child Abuse Prevention Month has been observed since its first presidential proclamation in 1983; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect affects children of all ages, race, and income and is 100% preventable; and

WHEREAS, national statistics show that one in four children will be maltreated before the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, children with disabilities are three to seven more likely to suffer from child maltreatment than children without disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the rising number of reported child abuse cases are, consequently, cause for great concern and heightened need for increased protection and improved services for abused and neglected children; and

WHEREAS, most experts believe that actual incidents of abuse outnumbers the current statistics and their indications; and

WHEREAS, programs offering help can positively impact a family at risk and early assistance is important for preventing abuse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors hereby declares April 2011 as Child Abuse Prevention Month and recognizes the efforts made by the Child Abuse Prevention Council and the Exchange Club of the San Ramon Valley; and acknowledges both agencies for their hard work in preventing child abuse throughout Contra Costa County.

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this 5th day of April, 2011.

GAYLE B. UILKEMA
Chair
District II Supervisor

JOHN GIOIA
District I Supervisor

MARY N. PIEPHO
District III Supervisor

KAREN MITCHOFF
District IV Supervisor

FEDERAL D. GLOVER
District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown:

ATTESTED: April 5, 2011

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County Administrator

By _Katharine Sinclair_ , Deputy

Introduced by Supervisor Karen Mitchoff