## The Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, California

In the matter of declaring April 2012 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in Contra Costa County

RESOLUTION NO. 2012/119

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, income and is 100% preventable; and

WHEREAS, national statistics show that one in four girls and one in four boys will be maltreated before the age of 18, while children with disabilities are three to seven times 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 heightens the need for increased protection and improved services for abused and neglected children; and

WHEREAS, more experts believe that actual incidents of abuse outnumber the current statistics and 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 Board of Supervisors hereby declares April 2012 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" and recognizes the efforts made by the Child Abuse Prevention Council, and acknowledges their hard work to prevent child abuse throughout Contra Costa County

PASSED by a unanimous vote of the Board of Supervisors members present this  $3^{rd}$  day of April, 2012.

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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 3, 2012

DAVID TWA, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and

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