## BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

## IN THE MATTER OF:

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH	)	<b>RESOLUTION NO. 11-036</b>
F APRIL AS "AMADOR COUNTY CHILD	)	
ABUSE PREVENTION" MONTH	)	

WHEREAS, as a society, we have a responsibility to nurture and protect our children and help ensure they become healthy and productive adults; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that parenting is the toughest job any of us will undertake, and our most important civic contribution; and

WHEREAS, as a community we are responsible for ensuring that all parents and families have access to the support, information and services they need to succeed; and

WHEREAS, as a community we recognize that the neglect and maltreatment of children can be prevented and that prevention benefits the child, family, and society by eliminating the long-term effects of child maltreatment; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease control now ranks child abuse as America's number-one public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, scientific studies confirm a direct link between child abuse and a significantly greater risk later in life for alcohol and substance abuse, depression, eating disorders, obesity, diabetes, heart disease, sexual promiscuity, sexually transmitted diseases, smoking, suicide, continued family violence and criminal behavior;

WHEREAS, the Amador Child Abuse Prevention Council has a mission to collaborate between the community and public agencies to promote public awareness through education, training, and services for children and families within our community, and to ensure every child lives a healthy and safe life free from violence.

WHEREAS, as individuals, we can help nurture and protect the children of this community by supporting parents and caregivers, and remember it only takes a minute to brighten a child's life with caring, encouragement and love.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador, State of California, that said Board does hereby proclaim the month of April, 2010, as AMADOR COUNTY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH and urge all citizens to use this time to reaffirm our dedication to preventing child abuse and neglect and protecting our community's children; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we reaffirm the value of parenting, acknowledge it can sometimes be challenging and encourage parents to ask for help when needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we ask the citizens of Amador County to join us in providing parents with encouragement and support, and to do all they can to help nurture and protect our children – our future and most cherished resource.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2011 by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Brian Oneto, John Plasse, Theodore F. Novelli,

Richard M. Forster and Louis D. Boitano

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CHAIRMAN, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the

Board of Supervisors of Amador County,

California

Denuty