

# PROCLAMATION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## RECOGNIZING MAY 2021 AS CHILD CARE PROVIDER APPRECIATION MONTH IN MENDOCINO COUNTY

WHEREAS, by providing children and youth with a solid foundation that includes high-quality early education, we increase their opportunities for future success; and

WHEREAS, high-quality early learning and care services have been shown to be a valuable investment in our children's future, and in the future of our county; and

WHEREAS, family child care homes, private child care centers, tribal centers, subsidized child care centers, expanded learning/after school professionals, have continued to provide services during the Covid-19 global pandemic, addressing health and safety concerns and finding fiscal solutions to the challenges of operating during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Mendocino County child care providers serve over 2,000 children across settings, providing an essential service to families who need child care to work, provide for their families, and contribute to the overall health of Mendocino County's economy; and

WHEREAS, quality early learning and care providers provide a foundation in skills across developmental domains, including: social emotional, self-regulation, language, literacy and communication, cognitive including math and science, physical and arts; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors joins the Mendocino Local Child Care and Development Planning Council and other agencies and organizations nationwide in recognizing child care providers as essential members of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, hereby proclaims May, 2021, as:

**"Child Care Provider Appreciation Month in Mendocino County"**

Dated: May 4, 2021

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Dan Gjerde, Chair