



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Health and Human Services Agency

Meeting Date: August 7, 2018

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Item Type: Regular Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 15 minutes

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Including Adoption of Proclamation Recognizing August 2018 as Breastfeeding Month in Mendocino County and Presentation of Breastfeeding Coalition's Exemplary Employer Award
(Sponsor: Health and Human Services Agency)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Adopt Proclamation recognizing August 2018 as Breastfeeding Month in Mendocino County; present breastfeeding coalition's exemplary employer award; and authorize Chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

August 16, 2016, Item 4(i); August 15, 2017, Item 4(m)

Summary of Request:

Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health and the Mendocino County Breastfeeding Coalitions request that the Board of Supervisors join the nation in adopting a proclamation declaring the month of August 2018 as Breastfeeding Month in Mendocino County. This Proclamation is to raise the community's awareness of the benefits of breastfeeding and to promote support for mothers who choose to breastfeed. Breastfeeding has been proven to prevent myriad diseases and is also an important component of emotional health for the both infant and mother.

Additionally, each year during the month of August Mendocino County's inland and coastal breastfeeding coalitions recognize and award an exemplary employer who complies with current California State Law that requires lactation accommodations and support in the workplace. This award highlights the importance of breastfeeding for the infant's and mother's well-being and the role employer's play in helping to support the health of the infant and mother.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling.

Supplemental Information Available Online at:

<http://www.womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding/employer-solutions/index.php>

Fiscal Impact:

Source of Funding: N/A

Current F/Y Cost: N/A

Budgeted in Current F/Y: N/A

Annual Recurring Cost: N/A

Supervisory District: All

Vote Requirement: Majority

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: N/A

CEO Liaison: Janelle Rau, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:



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Executed By: Meribeth Dermond

Final Status: Approved

Date: **AUGUST 8, 2018**