

RESOLUTION
of
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MARIN COUNTY
PROCLAIMING
FAMILY REUNIFICATION DAY
MAY 17, 2016

WHEREAS, for children in foster care, reunification with their families is the preferred outcome and best option for a permanent and loving home; and

WHEREAS, every year, hundreds of thousands of children are successfully reunified with their families nationally; and

WHEREAS, all children need the care, love, security and stability of family unity, including parents, siblings, grandparents and other extended family members to provide a solid foundation for personal growth, development and maturity; and

WHEREAS, reunification takes work, commitment and the investment of time and resources by parents, family members, social workers, foster parents, service providers, attorneys, courts, and the community; and

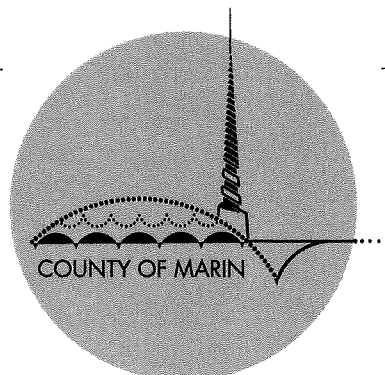
WHEREAS, 2010 marked the first National Reunification Day designated to celebrate families and communities coming together to acknowledge the hard work it takes to reunify a family and to raise awareness about the importance of family reunification to children in foster care; and

WHEREAS, through a collaboration between the Superior Court, the Department of Health and Human Services, Children and Family Services, Dependency Legal Services, Wasacz Hilley & Fullerton LLP, the Marin Court Appointed Special Advocates, and the Office of the County Counsel; Marin County is celebrating its 1st Family Reunification Day on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, to acknowledge the unique efforts of our local families and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin does hereby proclaim May 17, 2016 as "Family Reunification Day."

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this 17th day of May 2016.

STEVE KINSEY – SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT 4 - PRESIDENT



JUDY ARNOLD – SUPERVISOR, DISTRICT 5