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THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION:

01-5-2-1

-) IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING
-) MAY 2001 AS FOSTER PARENT
-) RECOGNITION MONTH

WHEREAS, it is recognized that while the family is the best place for a child to grow, some children are abused and neglected in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, these children need someone who can provide them with a safe and supportive temporary home; and

WHEREAS, foster parents care for children who have been abused or neglected and cannot remain in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, foster families provide for basic physical, mental and emotional health needs of these children by providing a safe, comfortable environment; and

WHEREAS, foster parents provide the safety and guidance to a foster child they would give their own child and without foster parents, there would be no place for some children to feel safe and learn what it means to have someone care about them; and

WHEREAS, foster parents are essential partners to Services to Children and Families, Lane County Mental Health, and Lane County Public Health; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, 500 foster families provided safe homes for children through Services to Children and Families; and

WHEREAS, currently 125 families leave the foster parent system and only 60 new families are added annually, Services to Children and Families has established a goal of developing 185 new foster families during the next year; and

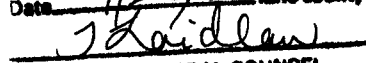
WHEREAS, the rewards of providing a child with a safe, nurturing home can last a lifetime; now therefore it is hereby

RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Lane County Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaim the month of May 2001 as Foster Parent Recognition

Month and urge all Lane County citizens to support foster parents within their neighborhoods and to consider being part of the foster parent community by contacting Services to Children and Families.

DATED this 2nd of May, 2001.


Anna Morrison, Chair
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 4/26/01 lane county

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

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