RESOLUTION NO. 2012-82

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY 2012 AS FOSTER CARE MONTH IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Nassau County and the North Florida community have historically offered their services and talents to assist children and families in crisis; and

WHEREAS, competent and compassionate foster family care assure that children and youth are able to grow and develop in a safe and secure environment until they can be reunited with their families or achieve permanency through adoption and other lifelong connections; and

WHEREAS, Family Support Services of North Florida, the Florida Department of Children and Families, local foster parent associations, and child placing agencies continuously provide the North Florida citizens, community leaders and professionals with an opportunity to lend their collective support to the outstanding foster family care provided throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Foster Care Month is an opportunity for the citizens of Nassau County and its residents to recognize the invaluable contributions of foster parents and everyone involved with the community effort to provide quality foster care; and

WHEREAS, those dedicated citizens including parents and children, the courts, foster parents, families, relatives, volunteer boards, numerous child-placing agencies and child protective service workers; and

WHEREAS, all those involved with foster care deserve recognition this month and all year long for their loyal and steadfast devotion to the safety, permanency and well being of children and youth in our community. Page Two of Two - Resolution 2012-82

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners

of Nassau County, Florida, this <u>16th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2012, that:

- 1. May 2012 be proclaimed as Foster Care Month in Nassau County, Florida.
- The Board hereby urges all citizens to join the Board in supporting Family Support Services of North Florida, the Florida Department of Children and Families, foster parents, and all others who work to provide quality foster care for children and families in our community.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

Its: Chair

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ATTEST AS TO CHAIR'S SIGNATURE:

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Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attendey:

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