RESOLUTION NO. 2016 - 64

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY 2016 AS "NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH".

WHEREAS, progress in our country and in Nassau County can be measured by the opportunities we pass on to our children; and

WHEREAS, for the youth in foster care in our community, the best path to success we can give them is the chance to experience a loving home where they can feel secure and thrive; and

WHEREAS, strong support structures provide children with the

environment needed to learn to grow and reach their greatest potential; and

WHEREAS, permanence is critical to the future success of foster youth

and must be a key component of foster care initiatives; and

WHEREAS, we have a responsibility to remain persistent in the charge to provide the best care possible for children when they cannot remain in their homes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 23rd day of May, 2016, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

- The Board hereby proclaims the month of May 2016 as "National Foster Care Month", in Nassau County, Florida.
- The Board recognizes the extraordinary love and warmth of our foster parents and concerned professionals who play a vital role in helping children and families heal and reconnect and who launch children into successful adulthood.

- The Board commends local foster families, social workers, and other child welfare professionals who are improving the lives of our young people in foster care across our country.
- 4. The Board calls upon all Nassau County residents to observe this month by taking time to help youth in foster care and pay tribute to the dedicated foster parents and professionals who tirelessly work to shape their lives.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as the form by the Nassau County Attorney:

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