## Proclamation

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

DESIGNATING

THE MONTH OF AUGUST

## "CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH"

IN SAN MATEO COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County of San Mateo is committed to encouraging parents to provide their children with the emotional and financial support they need and deserve; and

WHEREAS, child support services are available, without charge, to all residents of San Mateo County through he Department of Child Support Services; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Child Services assists over 20,675 children by establishing and enforcing court orders for child support and health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Department has increased the percent of families receiving some current support payments from 64% in 1999 to 77% in 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Department collected over \$30.4 million in child support for 8,710 families in FY 2002-2003; and

WHEREAS, it is important to educate the community about the legal responsibilities of parenthood and the availability of child support services provided by the Department of Child Support Services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, hereby designates the Month of August 2003 as Child Support Awareness Month in San Mateo County.

DATED: August 5, 2003