

**JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Adiel McKnight, Executive Assistant

DATE: May 1, 2023

SUBJECT: **PROCLAMATION re: Proclaiming May 12, 2023 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Day**

STATEMENT OF ISSUE:

National Provider Appreciation Day is observed annually on the Friday that falls before Mother's Day. This is a day that takes the time to celebrate all of those people who care for children, including but not limited to, nannies, childcare providers, and teachers. These are the people that make sure our children are well taken care of thereby enabling their parents to contribute to our community by working or volunteering.

The Commissioners are asked to approve a proclamation and ask all residents of this community to join us in honoring our **Child Care Providers** who care for children. We welcome the opportunity to show our appreciation not just during this day, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

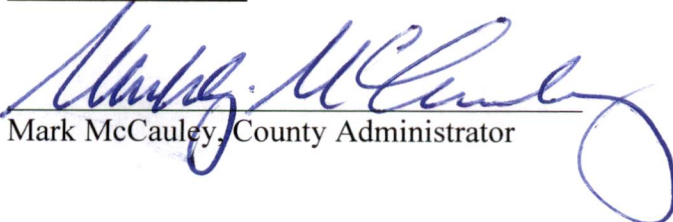
FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to Jefferson County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Proclamation re: Proclaiming the Week of May 12, 2023 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Day.

REVIEWED BY:


Mark McCauley, County Administrator

4/28/23
Date

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, child care providers are essential members of our community who offer safe, nurturing, and stimulating environments for children to learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic illuminated how indispensable child care providers are for the well-being and economic security of Jefferson County's young children, families, and communities; and

WHEREAS, child care programs, which are mostly small businesses, are run and staffed predominantly by women and are still recovering from health and financial hardships stemming from the pandemic while they have continued to meet the needs of families; and

WHEREAS, child care providers support the economic and social well-being of working families by enabling parents to pursue their careers and education while knowing their children are in good hands; and

WHEREAS, child care providers contribute to the development of the next generation of citizens by fostering their physical, cognitive, emotional, and social skills; and

WHEREAS, child care providers demonstrate professionalism, dedication, creativity, and resilience in their work, especially during the challenging times of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, child care providers deserve our gratitude, respect, and recognition for their invaluable service to our children, families, and community; and

WHEREAS, our future depends on the quality of the early childhood experiences provided to young children today and support for high-quality child care represents a worthy commitment to our children's future; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Jefferson Board of County Commissioners do hereby proclaim May 12, 2023 as

Child Care Provider Appreciation Day

in Jefferson County and urge all residents to join in celebrating and thanking the child care providers who make a difference in our lives.

APPROVED this 1st day of May, 2023

SEAL:

JEFFERSON COUNTY
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Greg Brotherton, Chair

ATTEST:

Kate Dean, Member

Carolyn Gallaway, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Heidi Eisenhour, Member